



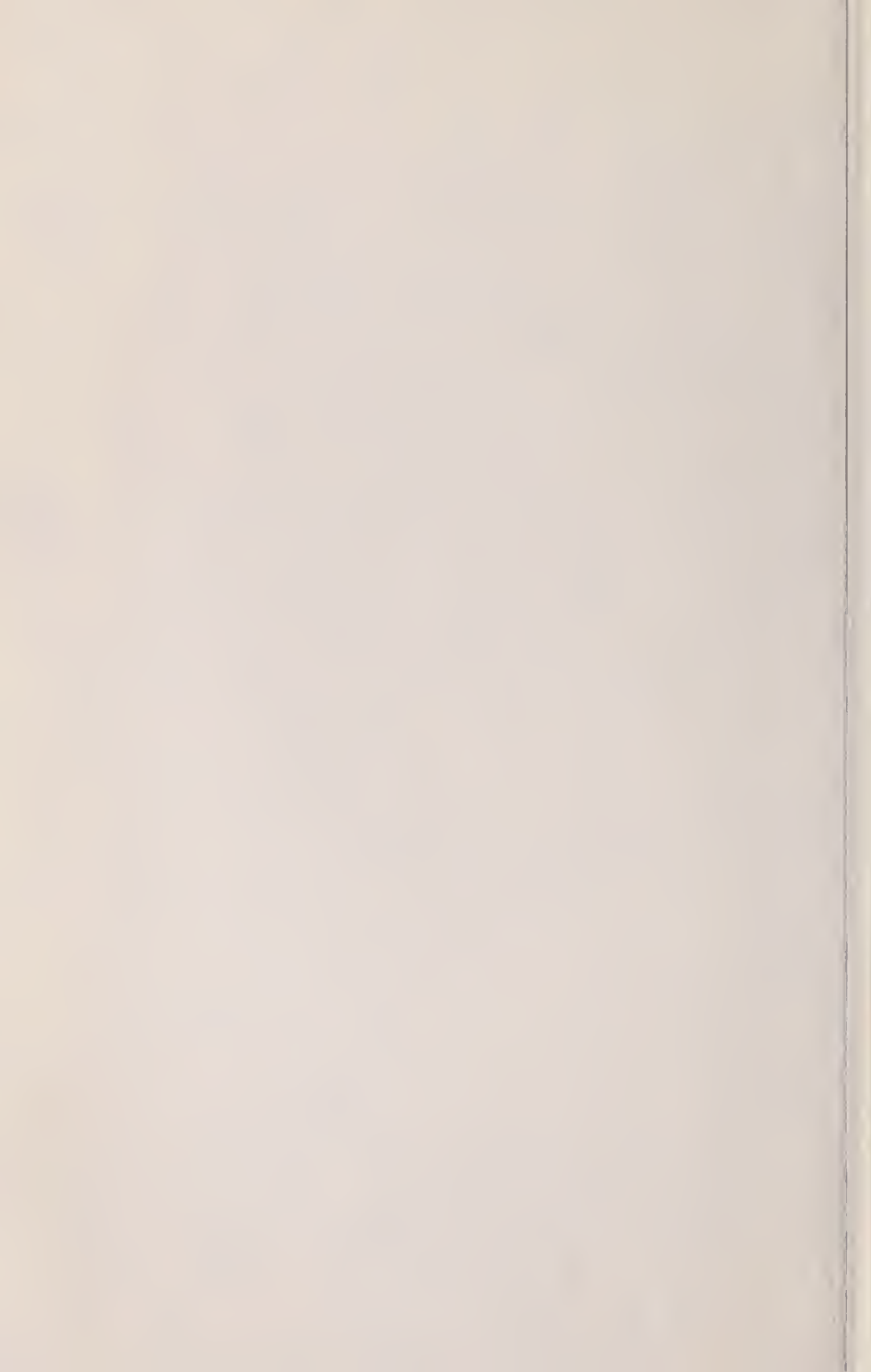
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MARTYRS of Lienchow, China, October, 1905:

MRS. EDWARD CHARLES MACHLE—
Went out 1889.

AMY MACHLE.

DR. ELEANOR CHESNUT—1894.

REV. JOHN ROGERS PEALE and

MRS. REBECCA GILLESPIE PEALE—
Arrived Lienchow, September, 1905.

For the testimony of Jesus, these four missionaries and a little ten-years-old daughter have rendered up their lives at the hands of cruel men and, like that company of five years ago at Paotingfu, they are before the throne of God.

THE dreadful tidings reached New York, Nov. 1, through the press, but was not credited until confirmed the next day by a cablegram from Canton Mission which added the information, "Dr. Machle and (Miss) Patterson safe. Buildings destroyed." A despatch to Canton from the Board of Foreign Missions was answered, Nov. 3, as follows: "Unrest. Heathen festival encroached mission premises. Fled cave. Discovered. Killed. Bodies recovered. Apply State Department." It was stated in the Associated Press despatches of the same date, that a Chinese gunboat and sixty Chinese soldiers had started for Lienchow with the Rev. Drs. Henry V. Noyes and Andrew Beattie, and Paul Todd, M.D., all of Canton. These brethren will investigate everything that is to be known and, until their report is received, we refuse to accept the horrifying details which appear in various newspapers.

DR. MACHLE* and Miss Elda G. Patterson (the latter went out two years ago) escaped to Canton, Nov. 8. The only remaining members of Lienchow Station, Rev. and Mrs. Rees F. Edwards, are at home on furlough. To these stricken survivors, to the heartbroken relatives in this country, and especially to Dr. Machle and his two children at

Wooster, Ohio, we promise the sympathy and prayers of the Church.

A MARKED difference is noted between 1900 in China and 1905, for the State Department at Washington notified Secretary Arthur J. Brown that the Emperor has ordered all guilty parties punished and full protection afforded.

Lienchow is not on the coast as located by newspapers and by Beach's Atlas, but inland 250 miles northwest from Canton, and reached by a winding river adapted to small boats, so that several weeks must yet elapse before letters from the scene of this tragedy can be expected.

THE January number of WOMAN'S WORK will contain pictures and biographical sketches of our martyred friends and such other information as may be obtained. Meanwhile, though in suspense of fear, let us turn to our mighty fortress and be sustained.

"The body they may kill,
God's truth abideth still,
His kingdom is forever."

IN addition to a gift of \$5,000 which was announced three months ago, Miss Margaret MacLean of Scotland has placed \$10,000 with the Board of Foreign Missions for prosecuting the interior work of the Africa Mission. It will both surprise and interest our readers to know that out of an invalid's room proceed these large thoughts for the salvation of Africa.

DR. IBUKA of Tokyo is in this country co-operating with the Board of Foreign Missions to secure endowment for the Meiji Gakuin of which he is president, and from which 243 young men have been graduated in the academic department and 155 in the theological. The financial condition of Japan precludes the hope of large assistance there, while the fact that thousands of Chinese students have gone to Japan to be educated

* *Prøn.* Mack-ley.

is another motive for strengthening this Christian college. As Dr. Ibuka says: "If but twoscore, or a dozen, of these students should be converted as the first Japanese Christians were, under the early missionaries, what a power for Christ they would be in China!"

THE corner-stone of the first permanent building of Canton Christian College was laid July 13, in the presence of a concourse of Chinese and foreigners. The situation is two miles below Canton, an ideal site of thirty acres. The building is to cost \$30,000.

WITH deep thankfulness to God their Preserver, we record the safety of three outgoing missionaries who narrowly escaped being lost at sea when eighty miles south of Chemulpo, Korea. In thick fog, at midnight of Sept. 9, the Japanese steamer struck a rock. Rev. Geo. McCune was lying awake on deck and lost no time in getting to the ladies' cabin and assisting Mrs. McCune and Miss Donaldson (bride-elect) to put on life preservers. They got into a lifeboat which soon after capsized, a Korean having jumped into it, and the twenty-one passengers were plunged into the sea. Mr. McCune searching the water's surface, saw a lifted hand which proved to be Miss Donaldson's. It took two or three persons to draw her out, a mystery which was only explained when they discovered a Korean man clinging to her waist and a Japanese woman hanging to the Korean. Eventually, passengers and crew, about 130 persons, were landed on a near island and two days later were picked up by the *Tokai-Maru*, and the wedding came off on the 13th, as reported last month. May Mrs. Koons bring as many to shore with her at every stage of her missionary journey, and may Mr. McCune be equally keen and successful in rescuing those groping in Korean darkness.

MRS. BICKERSTAPH of Brazil is convalescing in the New York Presbyterian Hospital. During nine months before she came home she entertained four hundred and fifty visitors.

ATTENTION is drawn to mention of "twenty Los Angeles girls" in the "Notes" from San Francisco for, while expecting to learn that facts have been

exaggerated, we agree with Mrs. Robbins that mothers should be warned against a subtle influence which leads silly women captive in more than one section of our country. Give the daughters more practical cares at home, and *The Little Green God* to read.

OFTEN heard lately has been the inquiry, "If you can have but one reference book on Africa, which?" As often, the answer is given, "Nothing better than *Dawn in the Dark Continent*, by Dr. Stewart of Lovedale, and *The Redemption of Africa*, by Frederic Perry Noble, is the most important American work on the subject." [The latter is well gotten up and sold at bookstores for \$3.00.] Dr. Stewart is an authority of first rank. For more than threescore years he has moved as an influential actor in the affairs of South Africa. Of other sections, his book touches only the salient points. It is an example of clarity of style, a handsome volume with fine maps and paper, and sold for \$2.00. On these two works of the "African Library" the unavoidable cheapening process has fallen with the greatest severity. Dr. Stewart's maps are omitted, margins are so cut down as to give an awkward aspect and book lovers are likely to be better suited with both these works in the regular edition.

THEY had public occasions, quite in Western style, at Tripoli, Syria, last winter: A school exhibition, an illustrated lecture for which they sold tickets (ten cents) and made \$35, and a popular temperance meeting where boys and girls took part with recitations and songs; the chapel was full and "Mr. Nelson gave them the clear and pointed truth on the subject for once anyway."

BEAUTIFUL sight at midsummer communion in Sidon: Seven boys and one of the teachers of Gerard Institute uniting with the Church and also three girls from the Seminary.

DR. HARRIS writes that the very first thing Syrian men do, when they return after a period of living in America, is to build a good home for their families. In some villages, as Amar where half the men have money earned in America, "substantial cut-stone houses are gradually taking the place of the miserable one-room dwellings which sheltered the family and live stock together."

Our Missionaries in Syria.

[All letters addressed "Care American Press, Beirut, via London and Brindisi."]

Dr. Mary P. Eddy,	Beirut. Mrs. Wm. Bird, (Abeih),	Lebanon. Miss M. Louise Law,	Sidon.
Mrs. E. G. Freyer,	" Miss Emily G. Bird, "	" *Mrs. Geo. Wood,	"
Miss Ottora Horne,	" Mrs. Geo. C. Doolittle, (Zahleh),	" Mrs. Paul Erdman, <i>en route</i> ,	Tripoli.
Mrs. F. E. Hoskins,	" Mrs. Wm. Jessup, "	" Mrs. Ira Harris,	"
Mrs. H. H. Jessup,	" Mrs. Wm. K. Eddy,	Sidon. Miss Bernice Hunting,	"
Mrs. F. W. March,	" Miss Charlotte H. Brown,	" Miss Harriet N. LaGrange,	"
Miss Emilia Thomson,	" *Mrs. Stuart Jessup,	" Mrs. Wm. S. Nelson,	"
Miss Rachel E. Tolles,	"	" Mrs. James H. Nicol,	"

In this country: Mrs. O. J. Hardin, Cuba, N. Y.

* Not in formal connection with the societies.

For information concerning other Societies working in this field consult Dr. Dennis' *Centennial Survey* and Beach's *Atlas of Protestant Missions*.



ELI SMITH, D.D., SYRIA, 1826-1857.
MRS. HENRIETTA S. B. SMITH, 1847-1857.



HENRY A. DE FOREST, M.D., SYRIA, 1842-1853.
MRS. CATHERINE S. DE FOREST, SYRIA, 1842-1853

Some Old Portraits of Young Faces.

Most of the portraits were taken before departure for Syria. The dates represent the years spent in the mission.—Ed.

HERE they are, in the costumes of forty, fifty, sixty years ago. For once, these early missionaries have stepped out of the old daguerreotypes whose frames and glass are injured with time, on purpose to let us see their faces, not, as we are apt to associate them, beneath a halo of venerable years and prolonged service, but as they looked with the glow of morning on their foreheads. We present such as are at hand, regretting that Dr. and Mrs. Van Dyck and others, for lack of old pictures, do not appear also.

Reverently we salute these young people. Most of them have long been in glory. Five are still toiling in the Syrian vineyard, while a sixth, Mrs.



REV. WILLIAM W. EDDY, D.D., SYRIA, 1852-1900.
MRS. HANNAH CONDIT EDDY, SYRIA, 1852-1904.



Calhoun, is with her daughter, Mrs. Ransom, in the Zulu Mission, South Africa. The names of all but two of



REV. WM. BIRD, SYRIA, 1853-1902.
MRS. SARAH GORDON BIRD, 1853—.



REV. SIMEON CALHOUN, SYRIA, 1843-1876.
MRS. EMILY P. CALHOUN, SYRIA, 1843-1887.

the nine families represented are perpetuated in the second generation, on the field to-day, whether in Syria, Africa, or Persia. Behind Mr. Bird, standing there like a tall tree of his own Lebanon, the image of his father, Isaac

counted, whose husband, Dr. Dorman, is on the Beirût College staff.

The names beneath these old portraits stand high on the roll of honor in the Christian Church, because of those labors abundant and distinguished with which



REV. HENRY H. JESSUP, D.D., SYRIA, 1855—.



REV. WM. M. THOMSON, D.D., SYRIA, 1832-1877.

Bird, rises to the mind's eye. He was a very pioneer in Syria Mission, so that our Miss Bird represents the third generation. Similarly, the daughter of Mrs. Gerald Dale (*née* Bliss) should be

their lives were filled:—translating the Bible into Arabic as perfect as that of the Koran, building up a Christian college, writing books, training preachers, traveling through heat and cold up and



REV. DANIEL BLISS, D.D., SYRIA, 1856—
MRS. ABBY M. BLISS, 1856—



REV. J. EDWARDS FORD, SYRIA, 1848-1865.
MRS. MARY P. FORD, 1848-1865. '94-1902.

down the mountains of Syria and by the seacoast, searching after the lost sheep. So they spent themselves, till dark heads whitened and young shoulders were bent. But these pictured faces roll back the evening shadows; we look on them and see the morning light, we hear the songs of morning. Hark! They say to other young men and maidens, We consecrated the dew of our youth. "*In the morning sow thy seed;*" then in the evening you need not withhold your hand.

A Veteran's Activities.

The following account is presented without Dr. Jessup's knowledge, having been written for S. C. E of Lackawanna Presbytery. These young people may well be proud and fond of the veteran who sends them such delightful letters and signs himself "Your same old missionary, Uncle Sam."—EDITOR.

"What is the matter with our old missionary?" You know I am still alive, else someone would have told you. But something has ailed me. *First:* I have had another birthday, and the boys in Gerard Institute gave me hearty cheers the morning of the anniversary, and congratulated me on being seventy-two years old. They surprised me again Jan. 24, by showing that they knew it to be the anniversary of my arrival in Syria, forty-two years ago. When they came in to morning prayers, a lot of them stopped in front of my reading desk—a very disorderly thing to do I thought—and I ordered them to their seats. No sooner had I sent them from one side than they appeared on the other. Just as I was about to use severe measures, the whole dozen of them

drew sheets of paper from their pockets and the action, in connection with their smiling faces, let me into the secret. They were led by a teacher, and sang a specially prepared ode written by him. Then followed prolonged clapping of hands. Somehow I couldn't see very clearly to read after that and had to wipe the mist from my eyes and glasses before I could get a fair start. Another teacher made a neat address to which I replied. Then I promised the boys a half-holiday, and luncheon far out of town the first pleasant day. We waited for it till Feb. 1. I had tents pitched by a little river near the sea, some three miles south of us. The teachers, the missionaries and their families, the primary pupils from Dar es Salaam all came. It was a beautiful day and



REV. SAMUEL JESSUP, D.D., SYRIA, 1863—
MRS. ANNIE ELIZA JESSUP, SYRIA, 1863-1895.

everybody, even to my two little grandchildren, went. But, alas! it was a day of wild headache for me and I stayed at home. I said something has ailed me.

Then, *Second*: I became builder last summer. We built a second wing to our orphanage and still it cannot fly. But it looks well, and is well, and has two large wells under one wing. We built a schoolhouse at Mughdusheh also. But we had a fight for it. The government beat and imprisoned our workmen and I had to work day and night so as to outwit our enemies. I might add that Protestants in that place are suffering terribly, wicked men are robbing, beating, and shooting at them, terrorizing them, imprisoning them on false charges, until they scarcely know which way to turn. Still the school is flourishing, and religious services are thronged with eager listeners. And now, *Third*: I am schoolmaster, not only acting principal—am business manager, treasurer, superintendent of the trades taught, Sunday-school superintendent and preacher. These are some of my ways of spending time.

At Bussa, south of us, the cattle plague prevailed and five hundred head of cattle died, worth \$30 a head. On

top of this the government wants from the town a forced loan of \$4,000, and on top of that, not being ready to pay its soldiers, has turned them loose over that region to get what they can out of the poor people. The other day our governor and the judge were sitting near the city gate, and saw a muleteer with two loads of coal. They hailed him, asked the price, said it was too much, and offered half the sum, to which the man objected. The governor immediately ordered his arrest, saying that he owed taxes. The police took the poor man to prison, and governor and judge divided the coal between them, and he could not get out of prison until he made the governor a present of \$10 above the loss of his coal! Do you wonder the people want to get away to foreign countries?

Only twelve of our hundred and fifty pupils are church members, but many boys are conscientious, study their Bibles and the Endeavor list of subjects that you have, pray and are very obedient. Some of the boys are very poor. They cannot dress warmly because they have no money. We get no tuition or board from them, and unless some one sends me about \$200* for five of them,

* This sum was sent by friends in Phila.—Ed.

it will be rather staggering to the faith I had when I let them come to the Institute. Please, I entreat you, ask our

Heavenly Father to send the Spirit and convert all these boys. They are on my heart day and night. *Samuel Jessup.*

The Influence of Missionary Homes.

While thinking how best to write about this subject, recently proposed to us, there came to mind a conversation held some years ago with an English lady, then residing in an important Druze center on the Lebanon. There, late in life, she had made for herself, and other workers, a useful missionary home. We had been talking of the comparatively small returns, in spiritual results, from missionary work among Druzes, as compared with that among other sects. She felt it to be particularly applicable to her work of love among this singular people and ended by saying, "I have come to the conclusion that all we can do, here, is to live a Christian life among them, proving ourselves kind and sympathetic friends and neighbors, in time of trouble and sickness, and teaching all the Bible we possibly can."

Auxiliary to this, her ideal, she set apart as a "Mission Room" the largest in the house, which was pleasantly and comfortably furnished, having divans across the length of two sides, and a section left free for wooden benches. Here calls were received, family prayers held morning and evening, besides a Sabbath service and evening meetings, all in Arabic, the latter conducted by a teacher of the American Mission. The mid-week meeting was composed largely of men, and was opened with a religious exercise, followed by a social hour at the close for conversation, quiet games and light refreshments.

Here, also, in the Mission Room, sewing parties met, from time to time, attended by from a dozen to twenty Druzes, mostly young girls from families of rank who had been in the mission schools there, together with their attendants. Garments were made for the poor of the place, especially for needy school children, and when work was folded and put away, Bibles and hymn-books were distributed for singing and reading in turn. Remarks and prayer followed and each gathering was closed with the Lord's Prayer, repeated in concert. In

summer these meetings were occasionally held in the large garden, under the shade trees or in a tent, and sometimes the Druze ladies were invited to join their English friends in a picnic, at some pleasant spot within easy walking distance.

Another means for good used at the missionary home was in the line of medical work. Clinics were held several times a week, with a good Syrian doc-



"WHEN WORK WAS FOLDED AND PUT AWAY."

Photographed by Rev. Geo. C. Doolittle.

tor in attendance and two English ladies to assist him. A Cottage Hospital has since added efficiency to the work.

This lady home-maker was highly respected by the gray-bearded, white-turbaned Sheikhs and Beks of the village, and they, together with government officials spending the summer in the place, frequently found *their* way to the Mission Room for a call and a quiet talk with the dignified, winsome lady who had come from a distant land to spend her helpful life among them.

Some years since, however, failing health and eyesight took her back to England, but she has not been forgotten in that village, and others are now carrying on the influential work which she

began. She was a lady of the good, old-fashioned type. "To know her was to love her," and who can gather up the fragrance shed, or trace the golden

threads of influence that sweet *home life* has left in a neglected corner of the Master's vineyard?

Emily G. Bird.

Zahleh Reading-Room.

"There is no chance for any of us who graduate from the College in Beirût to keep up our reading or study, after we return to Zahleh," said a young man who called upon the missionaries on Christmas Day, 1904.

"Why do not the missionaries in Zahleh open a Reading-Room, as they have done in Beirût?" asked the leading physician of Zahleh, a graduate of some thirty years ago from the Syrian Protestant College. "That is the way to do good," he said. "Give the young men a chance to go and sit together somewhere else than in a coffee-house, a gambling den, or a saloon."

So we said to the Protestant Church members who called New Year's Day, 1905, "Let us pray that this year we may be able to open a Reading-Room."

leh for the support of a small circulating library. This library was kept in the Zahleh Church and bears the name of the "Robert Glover Willett Memorial Library." It has now been removed to the Reading-Room, where it will have a wider circulation than before. A few friends, hearing of our desire to begin this enterprise, sent special gifts which have been used in furnishing the room. The Men's Christian Endeavor Society of Zahleh bought and presented two sofas. We especially acknowledge the gift of friends in the First Church of Morristown, N. J., unsolicited, spontaneous and most welcome. Their gifts will also aid in subscribing for several daily and weekly journals in Arabic.

We ask special prayer that this place may be used and blessed of our Lord for an increase of interest in things spiritual in Zahleh.

(Mrs. Wm.) *Faith Jadwin Jessup.*

ZAHLEH NOTES.—On the first Communion Sunday of 1905 nine united with the church on confession of faith; later figures not in.

"I could tell you how my dear fellow-missionary, Mrs. Doolittle, has gone down to the church every Tuesday afternoon this winter and held a class for women who do not know how to read or who wish to improve in reading. The last two months were stormy and the church was cold and damp, but she even *got out of bed one day to go*, and went to bed again when she returned. One Catholic woman has read the whole New Testament and says she is determined to read the Bible through.

"Last Thursday the ground was slippery with slush and we went to sewing meeting over the high hill in rubber boots. We found thirty-three women there. After the sewing had continued for a couple of hours, a Bible woman explained that each member was to teach a verse of Scripture to the individual to whom she presented a garment from the society. I looked up and meditated. Half the women in the room were school graduates, half were not. 'Bedaweeyee, do you know a verse of Scripture?' 'No!' 'Do you, Im Rash-eed?' 'Yes! I learned some verses when my children went to school, but I have forgotten all but this, "The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom."' Then the president said that each one should learn a verse to recite at the next meeting. Almost every one puts at least a mite into the collection box."



SPECIMENS OF STRAW WORK.

Central object, a book-rest such as Druzes formerly read from at their secret meetings.

Everything conspired to favor the idea—the Lord was with us and the Reading-Room is established. On September 14, 1905, we took possession of a good-sized, well-lighted room, in the heart of the city, which is now the "Zahleh Reading-Room and Book-store."

In 1889 a little boy named Robert Glover Willett died in East Orange, New Jersey. His mother from that time began to send a yearly gift to Zah-

Straw Work Done by Syrian Women.

Wheat straw carefully selected at the threshing floors is the material used for this work, which is necessarily coarser than that done by the Western woman with raphia and reeds; but there is an interesting resemblance between the two kinds of handiwork, done on opposite sides of the globe, both in the manner of weaving and in the ornamentation. The Syrian worker weaves her basket with the help of a stiletto, just as the worker with raphia and reeds weaves hers with a needle. The ornamentation in both cases is with the colored material.

The *t'bâk*, or trays, are universally used in Syrian house-keeping. Among mountain people, every family has a good-sized tray for carrying the bread to and from the public oven. A similar one placed on the floor, or on a low table, furnishes a receptacle for the food at a meal. On festive occasions, in interior villages, much larger trays, with elaborate designs in colors, serve the same purpose, and are sometimes of a size to hold a dozen dishes of food, and to "seat"—on the floor—nearly as many guests. When not in use they are hung upon the wall for ornament as well as safekeeping.

A Druze neighbor who earns a little pin-money by her work in straw, tells us that much of this work is done in the vicinity of Mt. Hermon, where her early home was. In the harvest season sheaves of straw are gathered and stored up in

the houses for use in the leisure of winter. Then young girls often get together for an afternoon, in some retired room where they can be free from masculine intrusion, each bringing her stiletto and her supply of straw, also a lamp and a



DRUZE WOMAN AND HER BASKETS.

"I would like to be saved by this Saviour," one of these veiled women told Mrs. Bird. See WOMAN'S WORK, Dec., 1892.

loaf for supper. Work is continued into the evening, and while fingers are busy with baskets and trays sized, shaped and designed according to taste and fancy, time is enlivened by story-telling, repeating folk-lore, or by a treat of raisins and parched pulse, which is shared all round.

Damascus affords a market for their work, and after necessary wants have been supplied with the avails, possibly something will be left for a bracelet or a ring.

(Mrs. Wm.) Sarah G. Bird.

Beirut American School for Girls.

1904-1905, pupils 124, of whom 57 were resident.

This year so many applications came in that we finally robbed Peter to pay Paul, that is, we turned our guest room into a dormitory. We were not wholly inhospitable, however, for the health of the pupils was good, so, upon occasion, we metamorphosed our sick room into a guest room.

The majority of our girls come from cities and larger villages where there is opportunity to learn European customs;

but this year we had a true mountain girl from a distant village. She had been in the school but a few days when she contracted a severe cold, which she explained as follows: "That I may speak the truth, believe me, O my teacher, and I will tell you why I am always sick. When I sleep on the floor at home my blankets cannot come off, but here on this bedstead I can do nothing. Though I pray every night that the

covers may not fall off, every night they do fall and I catch cold and am troubled. Believe me, my teacher, this is the truth."

There was a marked interest on the part of a number of the pupils in the things of the Spirit. At the last Communion service of the school year, three girls united with the church. One is the daughter of a Protestant father, another comes from a Protestant family in Beirut, while the third is only daughter of a Bible woman in Morocco, Africa. In 1904 there were eight children in school from Jewish families, while this year there are twenty-five.

A new venture at the beginning of the year was a Junior Endeavor Society. As our girls have their own weekly

prayer-meeting, a Bible class prayer-meeting with their teachers, besides regular church and Sunday-school services, and prayers twice every day, the society was not organized for their benefit. It was for Protestant children in the city and outsiders whom we might gather in. With children of two missionary families and a few Beirut girls of the school as a nucleus, we had the satisfaction of seeing from fifteen to twenty-five children each week, and it was but a pleasure to lead them.

We hope you like our new name as much as we do. By a resolution passed by the Mission at last Annual Meeting the old "Female Seminary" was changed to "American School."

Ottora M. Horne.

Reaping in the Wilderness.

DEAR EDITOR: I have had the privilege of reading a remarkably interesting letter written by Miss Mary Maxwell Ford to one of our missionaries, describing a tour she recently took into Hauran, and I have secured the use of it for WOMAN'S WORK, condensing as much as possible without omitting any important fact. Hers is peculiarly woman's work, for no man missionary can travel through that region. Of course you remember that Miss Ford was at one time connected with our Board but is now supported independently. She works in perfect sympathy with our missionaries and makes her report to them always when she goes on these itinerating tours. She is full of enthusiasm, and does a work that no other one is doing.

(*Mrs. H. H.*) *Theodosia D. Jessup.*

MT. LEBANON, Sept. 4, 1905.

MISS FORD'S LETTER AS CONDENSED.

East of the Jordan and the Sea of Galilee, stretching north and east of Damascus, lies the immense district named Hauran. It is an exceedingly fertile region and is called "the granary of Syria." This region is little visited by travelers, as it is in the possession of Druze sheikhs and Arab Bedouin tribes, but there are also many villages of Greek Christians, and often Druzes and Christians live together peaceably in these widely scattered towns. They are always, however, in fear of raids from roving Arab tribes, and we frequently hear of fighting and bloodshed. These occurrences afford an excuse to the Turkish Government to send troops among them, and often their last state is worse than the first. From these causes, from

depredations of the Bedouin and oppressive taxation of the government, many of these villages are desperately poor in spite of the richness of the plains around them.

Our missionaries look down from the hills near the head waters of the Jordan, and from the heights of Mt. Hermon, longing to establish themselves in those villages where men, women and children are living without the gospel. More than twenty years ago an English missionary established schools in some of these villages, but through an indiscreet exposure of firearms he aroused the suspicion of the Turkish Government and was driven out. No missionary has since been permitted to settle there.

Last spring, Miss Ford, accompanied by a Bible woman and two native itinerant preachers, entered this forbidden land. They traveled on donkeys or horseback, sleeping in native houses or khans, one day riding for twelve hours "four of which were in the pelting rain." The camels carrying their loads fell several times in the mud with all the bedding. The party waded through streams, and finally at 8 o'clock one evening reached their destination. The sheikh of the village gave them a cordial reception and a hot supper. "No one took cold and all slept well. I count it all privilege He gave us to minister to those people. There seems no bright

outlook for them. Their condition is like that of the Israelites in the days of the Midianites when the children of the East came up against them and destroyed their crops and their flocks and left no sustenance for sheep or ox or ass. There is no help except in the Almighty God; and everywhere we told them to examine themselves, to turn from their sins and call upon the living God."

Miss Ford found some schools, taught by teachers who were sent there by our Sidon missionaries; though not of a high grade they are faithful, and children learn the foundation truths and to memorize the Scriptures.

In one place, drought, famine, plague among the cattle, and oppressive taxation made the people desperate and, after losing all their oxen, they took their guns and went out to shoot the "Heavens," and literally fired up into the air, they were "so angry with God."

There was one place where Miss Ford had been invited by the people to visit them last year but surrounding Druzes had been so violent that she was warned not to attempt it. I quote her own words:

"I felt, however, clearly led to Haraba. We greatly rejoiced afterwards that we did go. We spent five days there. All the mornings, all the afternoons and every evening until midnight we taught the people. Im Musa (the Bible woman) and I would talk in turn to the women until each of us was exhausted; she taking the meeting when I was too tired to talk any more, and when she was used up I would begin again. They never left us, sometimes weeping and begging to be prayed for. Every evening we had a general meeting of 200 or 250 people, Muallim Daoud and Muallim Barakat speaking in turns.

This is the first time, in the village work, that I have had so much reaping. Others sowed there twenty years ago in the village school. The present work is that of the Holy Spirit. Twenty years ago there were two or three Protestants; now there is a community. Sixty are asking for the Communion service and no one to give it to them. A number of men are searching the Scriptures. We can help them by starting schools with native teachers, but we cannot go in as a *foreign Society*. *No foreign men* are allowed to stay in that part of the country."*

Miss Ford received a cordial invitation from a famous Druze Sheikh to visit his town and start a school, but circumstances prevented her going at this time. She says: "I never had greater proof of God's love and faithfulness than during this tour. He was the wall of fire around about us, and the glory in the midst. We had so many gracious opportunities and met so many hungry hearts." She was not indifferent to the wonders of those "Giant Cities of Bashan;" she says they interested her more than anything she saw. The massive architecture, the great doors moving with ease on their hinges, the desolation and the stillness broken only by "the singing of a bird or the hiss of a serpent," made a great impression upon her sensitive nature, but all this was an incident in the great work of winning these neglected people to Christ. Miss Ford pleads for the prayers of God's people that the doors may be opened more and more, and God be glorified in Hauran.

* This region naturally belongs to Sidon Station, and the missionaries are preparing to visit the outskirts as far as possible and to send an ordained preacher to hold a Communion service where the people are longing for it.
T. J.

The Cultivation of Zeal in Church Members.

From a Paper Read in Meeting of Syria Mission.

If the vows that are taken when one enters upon the privileges and duties of church membership could be kept constantly before him, there would be less indifference and spiritual idleness. But we all know how we need stimulus to *keep on* in well-doing, and Syrian church members need even more instruction and the hand stretched out in help and blessing.

As means for the cultivation of zeal among them, I suggest:

1. *Prayer*.—By preaching, by teaching, by example, show the need of more earnest prayer in private and in public. In some churches we have organized "praying bands," the nucleus being those whose spiritual life was most vital. In these circles many have learned to put aside the long, formal petitions of set

phrases and to use specific, definite prayer, expecting an answer. In women's meetings we lay stress on brief, practical prayers, encouraging all to take part if with but a single sentence, each one asking for something really desired. Meetings have become strong, sweet and helpful, and a new spirit of earnestness and endeavor has usually resulted from these prayer circles.

2. *Study of God's Word.*—We are putting forth prominently that the Sunday-school is for *all*. We have classes for men and women as well as children, and our aim is to get every member of the church in where Bible lessons are studied. In several churches, Sunday afternoon service is in the nature of a Bible class with systematic study of the Scriptures, and there are evening classes for Bible study for men, that have been helpful. We urge the duty of family worship and private daily reading of the Bible. But here comes a difficulty, for many are not able to read. Ability to read is a distinct help, and I would like to see every one who unites with the Church at least make the effort to learn. Two of the older women in Tripoli Church, both grandmothers, learned to read and have not only found great joy for themselves in this accomplishment but have grown beautifully and been a blessing to many, in ways that would not have been possible without reading.

3. *Work for every one in the Church.*—An earnestly coveted blessing is a live church from the pastor down. We may need often to take Mr. Moody's advice and make over the pastor and his wife that they may be true leaders of their people. Books, letters, suggestions from us, and unceasing prayer on our part for these teachers, will bring their reward.

Tripoli Church last winter planned for systematic, definite work for each member. Sunday-school furnishes a field for many. With the help of a good teachers' meeting even those with little education have been able to do acceptable service. In women's meetings, give to some, topics on which to be prepared; to others, verses to recite; have all, if possible, willing to lead in prayer; teach hymns that all may sing, and encourage all to bring friends and neighbors with them. Let the missionary, teacher, or

Bible woman, take one and another of the women with her for evangelistic visits in houses. In Tripoli, we have divided the city into sections and each Thursday afternoon a dozen or more of us are out holding little house-meetings. Any who can sing are taken along to help.

The men also agreed to give one evening a week to direct evangelistic work and go, two or three together, to houses that are open to them. They take turns in being early at church and act as ushers during service.

Giving is still in many cases a lesson to be learned. The Home Missions Committee with us maintains two out-stations, and receives none but Syrian contributions. The increased interest and enthusiasm that have come to those who are giving to this work and those who have oversight of it has been evident to all. We have found it a good plan for workers to meet together sometimes, to encourage and inspire each other by telling what the Lord has done. Any happy experience will help others, we can learn from each other's mistakes, and our hearts are drawn near together in united prayer. It seems to me, then, that we want to lead our people on to know the *joy of service* for our Master.

We missionaries are to provoke unto love and good works, by our teaching, but far more by our example. Perhaps we all have had the experience of associating with persons who, not by their words but by their likeness to Christ, have made us feel our own sinfulness and shortcomings in a new and impressive way. Should we not have such influence? These members of Syrian churches should see Christ in us under all circumstances; that doing His holy will is *the* aim of our lives; that His service comes first; that neither social duties nor yet sweet and necessary home cares make us forgetful or neglectful. They should be made sure that we realize the need of perishing souls around us and the burden of them is heavy, *heavy* upon us. God give us grace to be examples and leaders, and by our own strong faith and earnest, manifest zeal to push forward those whom God has given us, into His blessed work and to fullness of joy in His service. . . .

Emma Hay Nelson.

LETTERS FROM MISSIONARIES

SYRIA.

MRS. F. E. HOSKINS wrote from BEIRÛT, Oct. 6:

We are moving for the third time in five years. Everything is carried on the backs of porters, and all piled up in a small space until the tenants in the upper part of the house get out.

We shall now have quite an American compound—church, Memorial Hall, "American School for Girls," manse for native pastor, building for theological class, and our new home. To prepare the new buildings for occupation, Mr. Hoskins has remained most of the summer in Beirût and kept up his literary work. Rev. F. W. March of Tripoli has moved with his family into the house we occupied. We welcome this reinforcement to our Beirût forces. We would also mention with pleasure the appointment of a Consul General to Beirût, Mr. Leo Bergholz, and his charming mother. They are from New Rochelle, N. Y. The Consul has already shown his zeal in the cause of right.

MISS M. LOUISE LAW of Sidon wrote from HAITOORA, July 31:

We have come up to this tiny mountain village east of Sidon, where we have spent two summers, where the views are magnificent, and the people are simple-hearted and friendly, although Maronites. Women of this village

GO DOWN TO EGYPT

as wet-nurses and servants; they say this is better than to have the men go to America, as they themselves come back after having earned a little money, while the men stay for years in America. It is pathetic to see the poor grandmothers and little children working themselves to death in the absence of the strong women. One little girl of twelve has the care of a smaller brother and sister. She makes bread, washes, cooks and goes down to the valley for wood which she carries home on her head. She is a bright child that I wish might be in school. Her father is a muleteer, so is often away from home. When I asked if she was not afraid to stay alone at night, with her little sister and baby brother, she said, "Oh, no, I am not afraid."

Between fifteen and twenty-five girls, with a few men, women and boys, come to a meeting every night. The little organ which Dr. Jesup kindly lends and Miss Brown plays, is a great attraction. They have learned a good

many hymns and some verses. One of our Sidon teachers who is with us has made some charts, so we are teaching them the alphabet. We cannot get them very far on the road to an education in one short summer, yet it will be a start and I trust some of them will go on.

There are a number of villages all about us where we receive a warm welcome and the women are glad to have us read God's Word with them. We had

OUR SCHOOL COMMENCEMENT

this year in May. Dr. Hoskins gave a very interesting address on electricity. Four girls were graduated, three of them church members, and the fourth would like to confess her Saviour but her mother was unwilling.

At the beginning of the year, we were urged from all sides to accept a little girl who had been with the nuns. One man, a teacher, said in speaking of her that nothing had stuck to her; "she was like a mare that passed through a khan and had eaten neither barley nor straw." We have been pleased to see a steady improvement in the child and now they say there has been a great change in her. A grandmother in the neighborhood asked us to receive her four little granddaughters in school. They also had been influenced by nuns. The oldest girl took up a Bible, when buying her books, and said, "I haven't one like this yet." Evidently she had never seen it before. This spring she told us that in the vacation at home she read to her mother from the Bible, "and my mother loves it very much."

MRS. F. W. MARCH wrote from a Lebanon village, Aug. 30. Of leaving Tripoli, where they have lived more than twenty years, she says:

In October we are to move to Beirût, where Mr. March is needed in the Theological Seminary. Mr and Mrs. Nicol, our new missionaries, and Mr. Erdman of Sidon and his bride are to come, so our loved Tripoli will not be depleted, but enriched by our going. Last year it was voted at the meeting of Presbytery to make a shifting among teachers and preachers all over the field, and it was found to work well. So we hope the shifting of our force, this year, may prove a like blessing, hard as it is for us to go. In leaving our loved field and people, and our dear associates, we grieve that we have done so little among them, and wish we might stay and work with renewed vigor.

Our oldest son, Arthur, is now with us on his way to Hangchow College as teacher of physics. He has just graduated from College at Wooster, Ohio. He has always hoped to be a missionary, but expected to study a profession first, and it is a surprise to him and to us to have him begin his foreign service so soon.

JAPAN.

Mrs. J. M. McCAULEY of TOKYO wrote, Sept. 28:

You may think that now peace is declared, there is no longer any need to work for Japanese soldiers. Not so. Within one week I have had over one

HUNDRED REQUESTS FOR TESTAMENTS.

I went to the hospital to distribute a monthly religious paper. Faces of the men were all new; but with an armful of papers to give away, I needed no introduction and the news, "Here comes a feast," was heralded from ward to ward. One soldier on receiving the paper thanked me heartily and said, "Have you Testaments? I am just hungry and thirsty for one, how can I get it?" I said that I would gladly bring one on Thursday.

"That will be three whole days. As I am perfectly well, I may not be here then, and I want one so much; where can I buy one?" I promised to carry him one the next day.

"Five more fellows here with me want them. Could you give them one each? I know it is asking a great deal, but we do not know how to get them." I went the following day to deliver the six Testaments and took a great parcel with me. No sooner was my bundle spied than I was besieged. "That is

THE ONE BOOK WE ALL WANT."

I gave out all I had, and fifty-two men wrote down their names as wanting Testaments, which I intend to deliver to-day. The reason more did not ask was only because I skipped out a side door. Fifty-two was as many as I could give out in one afternoon, at the same time showing them how to read it.

The newspaper says to-day that sick, wounded, and convalescent soldiers now in Japan number 31,152. The Toyama Hospital, where I visit, at present contains 2,500, and with those who care for the soldiers (500) we come in contact with 3,000. The men are just as interested as ever, and want the Bible to take with them to their homes when they are mustered out. We want to give every returning soldier a Testament on his landing in Japan; he could carry only one gospel, paper-bound, in his knapsack, on the field and that one portion has made him hungry for more.

The Bible Society needs funds to supply this great demand. We have had a wonderful

REVIVAL IN THE RESCUE HOME.

Thirteen girls at one time gave their hearts to Christ. The entire household are now Christians, fifteen in all. It is a blessed privilege to be permitted to see all this. And you, dear sisters at home, are making it possible by your prayers and gifts. We are simply your agents, giving out the supplies which you place in our hands.

KOREA.

MISS HARRIET MCLEAR wrote from FUSAN, August 17:

At this time of year there seems less than usual to tell; perhaps not enthusiasm, but certainly activities, are somewhat dampened by deluges of rain, not to speak of seas of mud. Mrs. Irvin is the only woman in the station with sufficient knowledge of the language to do any teaching yet. Her work for girls is worth seeing. All Koreans memorize easily, and these girls learn pages with little trouble. The older ones have bright, interested faces and courteous ways, and in their white, or delicate blue, or pink, summer dresses are a pretty sight. They are studying geography and arithmetic; the intermediate class pores over its primer with greatest diligence, hoping the sooner to attain to like lofty heights. As for the lowest class—some of them little more than babies—they rub their slates and break their pencils and stare round-eyed at teacher and chart, and make attempts at the characters which will not go straight. Mrs. Irvin has also a woman's class in Sunday-school, and does hospital work, visiting women who may be there, and talking with patients in dispensary. The hospital is practically closed at present, as Dr. Irvin had to take a much-needed rest.

BRAZIL.

MISS MCPHERSON wrote from ARACAJU, July 17:

You cannot imagine how much letters mean to us. They are sometimes six weeks in coming.

We have many new people at services from all classes of society. Men stand in the windows during an entire service, scarcely moving. I have opportunities to offer Bibles to those who come to the house and they are accepted eagerly. We have a small day-school. My co-laborer, Dona Jovina, the primary teacher, is a consecrated Christian. The Brazilian pastor is also a good worker and preaches with power.

HOME DEPARTMENT

UNITED STUDY OF MISSIONS, 1906.

Subject: AFRICA.

Text-book: CHRISTUS LIBERATOR.

REVIEW OF THE INTRODUCTION.

1. What was the first African geographical term that you ever learned? What ideas does that term now convey?
2. Where are Timbuktu, Mountains of the Moon,* the Atlas of mythology, and Carthage?
3. What is the "first geographical factor in the African problem," and why?
4. Name the four giant rivers and trace their course?
5. Name and locate half a dozen lakes.
6. What are the grand divisions in African races?
7. Outline important political divisions of Africa. Which countries are independent?

* *Christus Liberator*, p. 17, "The most magnificent object in African mountains," etc.

CHAPTER I. THE DARK CONTINENT.

Aim—To show the condition which preceded modern missions in Africa.
To show how the way was opened for Christian Missions.

I. The Continent Hidden.

Obstacles to knowledge.
In what respects "belated?"

II. The Continent Enslaved.

Slavery: African, Arab, European.
Features of foreign slave trade.
(a) Slave ships.
(b) Kidnapping methods
(c) Effect of trade in Africa.
(d) Effect on white traders.

III. The Continent in Social and Moral Darkness.

1. Moral darkness evidenced by prevalent religions.
(a) Islam.—Length of time in Africa; strength; usefulness; fundamental lack; practical fruits; effect on civilization and education; success accounted for; the future of Islam.
(b) Paganism.—Universality and vagueness of ethnic religions. Names for God dying out. Worship of spirits: Of the dead; of spirits located in trees, streams, animals. Methods of worship. Two universal superstitions: (1) Witchcraft.—Prerogative of witch doctor; consequences of witchcraft. (2) Fetichism.
2. Social darkness evidenced by position of women. Absence of family life; idea of marriage; life of the African woman; traits. Her ground of appeal to the Christian Church.

IV. The Continent Explored.

When; explorers; their different aims. Livingstone's achievements; Stanley's.

Exploration followed by Partition; impetus to trade; liquor traffic; protests from Africans; the guilty part played by Americans.

V. Foreign Slave Trade Abolished.

1. Abolition contested in British Parliament twenty years.
2. European Protestant pulpit on the side of abolition.
3. Slaves imported by (1) Portugal, (2) Spain; England outstripped all others.
4. Slavery introduced into American colonies.
5. Abolition victory in England and America
6. Kidnapping in defiance of law.
7. Emancipation of slaves.
7. *Slave trade still existing in Africa.*

VI. Christian Missions.

1. The struggle for abolition of slave trade greatest instrumentality which prepared the way for missions.
2. Enthusiasm of victory for abolition afforded momentum for inauguration of missions.
3. Missions: Bring light into the Dark Continent.
Point the bondslave to his Liberator.

Topics Drawn from Chapter I.

(Five-minute talks by those appointed and prepared. Allow no written papers.)

*The Prayers of Paganism.** (See p. 288.)

The African Woman.

Results of Partition of Africa. (*Redemption of Africa*, pp. 77-176, 755.)

A Chapter in the Story of Freedom.

QUESTION: Is the motive for missions in Africa precisely the same as in Asia?

*[IN CONTRAST, A MOHAMMEDAN PRAYER.—When Thwain, Sultan of Zanzibar, was murdered, 1866, by his own son, the dagger fell out of the son's scabbard as he bowed in prayer over his father's dead body.—Henry Stanley Newman on "East Africa Protectorate," *British Africa*.]

ILLUSTRATIONS OF RELIGION IN PAGANISM.

I. THE PRAYER OF A ZAMBESIAN.

This prayer deserves to be ranked as of the highest type because it was offered, not for the man himself, but for the white missionary, M. Coillard.

"The Ngonye Falls are not to be compared to Victoria Falls. Nevertheless, the natives of these parts have as high an ideal of their divinity and *never dare approach the abyss without an offering*. I was rash enough not to conform to custom and whilst scrambling from rock to rock, I slipped, fell, and rolled to the edge of the torrent. I escaped, but the accident made a great sensation.

"On my return I went to the opposite bank to get another view of the cataracts. One of my guides asked me confidentially if, this time, I had not armed myself with an offering. I said "No." He was horrified. As soon as we were in sight of the falls he threw himself down on a rock and, clapping his hands, began a long incantation in a tone which testified sincerity no less than sorrow:

"O Nyambe, thou who inhabitest these abysses, appease thy wrath! These white people are poor and have nothing to offer thee. If they had stuff and beads, we would know it, and I would not hide it from thee. O Nyambe, be not revengeful, do not swallow them up; appease thy wrath, Nyambe!"—*On the Threshold of Central Africa*, p. 169.

II. ANCESTOR WORSHIP, SO. TANGANYIKA.

The Alungu living around Kambole give an annual sacrifice at the burying-place of a former important chief, Kitimbwa, as an offering in order to propitiate his spirit.

The successor of Kitimbwa has annually to give a sheep, which is slaughtered with great ceremony, and its blood poured out upon the ground. The flesh of the offering is consumed by the adult males present. They do not

make a meal of the sacrifice, but they each take a small morsel and eat it as a witness that they are venerator of the spirit of the great Kitimbwa.

They never asked this spirit for help to live a good and virtuous life. Their whole prayer or ceremony is to seek aid against a foe, safety in times of danger, plenty of food, health, prosperity, &c.—*Chronicle of L. M. S.*

III. ONLY FORM AMONG KONDE.

The people of Kondeland, north of Lake Nyasa, are good-natured, pagan savages. They are beggars, unblushing thieves and, withal, very self-righteous. Though they have two names for the Supreme Being, Mbamba (the Good) and Kiara (the Heaven), they neither worship nor offer sacrifices to Him. In special exigencies only, the chief guides his people into the forest depths, where they dance and call on Mbamba. They chew the leaves of a certain tree, take a sip of beer, blow out the beer through the leaves as a fine spray, and conclude with a feast and heavy beer drinking.—Reported by a Moravian missionary.

IV. A PAGAN FORM CHRISTIANIZED.

From *Life and Work in British Central Africa*, we learn that Harvest Thanksgivings were celebrated last spring in the Blantyre Mission:

"The Harvest Thanksgiving always appeals to the hearts of the people. The idea of thanking God for the food they have just been gathering in is easily understood by all of them. Nor is it a new idea. Amongst themselves they have a custom very much akin to our Harvest Thanksgiving. Before reaping the millet, the chief commonly calls upon his people to bring the first fruits of the crop to his courtyard, whence a portion of it is carried to the grave of the late chief, and there offered to the spirits of the dead."

NEWSPAPER REVIEWS OF CHRISTUS LIBERATOR.

[The women who are backers of the United Study books may like to overhear a little of what is being said about them. Our space admits of only a few extracts.]

The New York Evening Post.—"Christus Liberator; An Outline Study of Africa," by Miss Ellen C. Parsons (Macmillan), is the apt title of the fifth volume of a series intended to promote the study of missions—the other countries already treated being India, China, and Japan. Sir Harry Johnston furnishes an introductory sketch of the geography, races, and history of the Dark Continent, while the body of the book is devoted to an account of the rise and progress of Protestant missions in the several countries. The necessarily dry array of facts and statistics is enlivened by anecdotes and descriptions of native life. There are tables of important historical events and dates, a short bibliography, and a map showing the political divisions. We thus have a useful handbook, containing much information in a compact and readable form.

The Outlook. . . . Admirable series of United Study of Missions. These volumes are in the nature of compends, and yet they are more The reading of such a book

as this would, perhaps, prevent such an absurd statement as the *New York Sun* prints from an opponent of Christian missions. . . . Such a reading also would make it clear that commerce is carrying the vices, and in some cases the cruelties, of civilization; and if Christian missions were abandoned, Christendom would be importing into paganism nothing but her vices and her cruelties. We recommend these volumes as especially valuable for the members of Christian Endeavor Societies, and for pastoral use by ministers endeavoring to awaken in their churches an intelligent interest in Christian missions.

The Churchman. . . . It opens with an introduction, geographical, ethnological, and historical, by the experienced African traveler and administrator, Sir Harry H. Johnston. This is no mere perfunctory affair, but extends through forty-nine well-considered pages. It is succeeded by a chronological summary of important events; then follows the body of the work, taking up, first, the

general social and moral conditions, Moham-
medanism and the native religions, showing
how these were affected successively by Euro-
pean exploration and settlement, the slave
trade and its abolition, and missions; then
each section of the country is taken separately
for more minute study. Where matters of
controversy are concerned, in Uganda, for in-
stance, the book is written frankly from the
Protestant point of view, but it seems dispa-
sionate and well informed.

The Pacific Churchman. The three
hundred or so pages of this little book hold
as much geographical and other information
about Africa as much larger, more preten-
tious works. The introduction is a marvelous
epitome. Altogether it is a wonderful little
book. And there is a capital map.

London, *The Times*.—If only as an instance
of the sort of work that should be done by
English students of missions, an American
hand-book, "Christus Liberator; An Outline
Study of Africa," is worth con-
sideration. Over there they have a "Central
Committee on the United Study of Missions,"
which, since 1901, has issued handbooks like
this one, on missions in general and on specific
work in India, China, and Japan, which are
stated to have had a circulation of nearly
200,000 copies. Miss Parsons has the advan-
tage in this handbook of an admirable in-
troduction from the pen of Sir Harry John-
ston. He looks back over the missionary
work that has been done in Africa "since, let
us say, 1840," and is sure that it represents
"the one feature of the white man's invasion
of this continent which history will rank as
of unquestionable good." Miss Parsons' re-
view of the work in Africa, east, west, north,
south, and central, is necessarily cursory, but
it is comprehensive. In some cases—that of
Liberia, for instance—English readers will
benefit by its information about a field which
is not familiar to them. They will be apt,
however, to complain of a certain narrowness
of view. The writer does not realize why
English justice hesitates to force the Arabic
Bible upon the Mahomedan pupils in the

Gordon College at Khartum.* But the good
example of the book remains even when the
English student has noted such occasional
lapses.

London, *Spectator*. . . . Sir Harry John-
ston supplies an introduction, historical and
geographical. He states one aspect of the
problem thus: "Almost two-thirds of Africa
will be the nearly exclusive domain of the
Negro race, and it is the special task of Eu-
rope and America" to civilise and Christian-
ise What Miss Parsons has to say
is well worth attention. Whatever senti-
mental admirers of Islam from without and
philosophising followers from within may
say, slavery and the degradation of woman
are inseparable from it. After the general
survey of the continent, each region is taken
in turn, and the social and religious condition
described. We would willingly follow the
writer in her progress from West to East,
from East to the Congo State and Central
Africa, and from there again to the South.
What a deplorable thing it is that nowhere is
the prospect so gloomy as in the Congo State,
known by so cruel an irony as the "Free."

London, *Scotsman*. . . . A well informed
series of American books an interest-
ing and readably-written outline by Miss
Ellen C. Parsons of the history of the evan-
gelisation of the blacks in Africa. The book
is brought in by an introduction from the pen
of Sir Harry H. Johnston, and forms a valu-
able addition to the series in which it appears.

London, *Pulpit of the Church of England*.
. . . . Sir Harry Johnston's Introduction,
which extends to 49 pages, must be regarded
as a most important contribution to our knowl-
edge of the Dark Continent, and we are glad
to find so distinguished an administrator
heartily endorsing the author's conception of
Christ as the "Liberator" of Africa. The
conflict of Christianity with Islam is touched
on repeatedly, and the reader's interest is sus-
tained by delightful stories of the natives.
. . . . We hope the rest of the series may be
as good as this.

*See "Christus Liberator," p. 104.—EDITOR.

AFRICAN REFERENCE LIBRARY.

This library is now ready and may be ordered from any of the Women's Boards. Like
that on Japan, last year, it is issued under the auspices of the Young People's Missionary Move-
ment. The books are bound uniformly and sold, eight volumes for five dollars, with expressage
in addition. It will be for the advantage of those ordering a library to stipulate that the
expressage be prepaid and added to their bill. The library is composed as follows:

Redemption of Africa (2 vols.) Noble.	Fetichism in Africa R. H. Nassau.
Dawn in the Dark Continent Stewart.	The Price of Africa Earl Taylor.
Tropical Africa Drummond.	Christus Liberator Ellen C. Parsons.
Daybreak in Livingstonia Jack.	Daybreak in the Dark Continent . . . Naylor.

What Shall a Young Girl Read? Margaret E. Sangster. (Sunday-School Times Co., Phila.)
Cloth, 58 pp., 50 cts.

The old question, answered by one of the safest counsellors and truest friends of young
girls. A list of books is appended.

CHANGES IN THE MISSIONARY FORCE.

DEPARTURES:

By an error in Mr. Hand's office the following "Departures" were omitted at the proper
date:

August 16.—From San Francisco, Rev. and Mrs. Geo. S. McCune, to join the Korea Mis-
sion at Pyeng Yang.

Oct. 28.—From New York, Rev. Paul Erdman, returning to Syria, and Mrs. Erdman, to
join the Mission.

- November 4.—From New York, Rev. and Mrs. Burr G. Eells (and child), to join the Brazil Mission.
 Nov. 4.—From San Francisco, Rev. and Mrs. W. H. Lingle and two children, returning to Hunan Mission China.
 Master Richard Vanderburgh, returning to his parents in Hunan.
 Miss Margaret A. McGilvary, returning to Laos.
 Miss Elsie B. Harrod, to join the E. Shantung Mission.
 Nov. 8.—From New York, Miss Alice B. Jones returning to Saharanpur, Punjab.
 Nov. 11.—From New York, Rev. and Mrs. Malbone W. Graham, returning to Colombia Mission, S. A.

MARRIAGES:

- Oct. 4.—At Seoul, Korea, Miss Harriet McLearn to Rev. Ernest F. Hall, both of Fusan.
 Oct. 11.—At Kyoto, Japan, Miss Annie Louise A. Foster of Yamaguchi to Rev. David A. Murray of Osaka.

NOTES FROM HEADQUARTERS.

The following helps are permanent and may be obtained from all Women's Boards:

On all the Missions:—

<i>Historical Sketch</i>	10 cts.
<i>Question Book</i>	5 cts.
<i>Schools and Colleges</i> , each 2 cts.; set, 10 cts.	
<i>Hospital Work</i> , each 1 ct.; set.....	5 cts.
<i>Home Life</i>	2 cts.
<i>Illustrated Programmes</i> per doz.	5 cts.
<i>Hero Series</i>	2 cts.
<i>The Year Book of Prayer, 1906</i>	10 cts.
<i>A Visit to the West Africa Mission</i>	10 cts.

For Mission Study Classes:—

<i>Via Christi</i> , Introduction to Missions,	
<i>Lux Christi</i> , India,	
<i>Rev Christus</i> , China,	
<i>Dux Christus</i> , Japan,	
<i>Christus Liberator</i> , Africa, for 1906,	
Each, cloth, 50 cts.; paper,	30 cts.

Helps for Study of Africa text-book:—

<i>Outlines of Lectures</i> (Northfield)....	10 cts.
<i>Pictures</i> (set of 24), postpaid.....	25 cts.
<i>Map</i> , in colors, 18x21 in., postpaid..	15 cts.
<i>Map</i> , Outline, (to be filled in by individuals) per dozen only.....	15 cts.

For Children: *China for Juniors*..... 10 cts.
Japan for Juniors..... 20 cts.
Africa for Juniors. Cloth, 35 cts.; paper, 25 cts.; postage extra.

From Philadelphia.

Send all letters to 501 Witherspoon Building. Directors' meeting first Tuesday of month at 10.30 o'clock. Prayer-meeting the third Tuesday at 11 o'clock. Visitors welcome at both meetings.

December. Topics for Prayer: *Our Educational Work. Syria.*

PRAYER-MEETING, December 19, will be led by Mrs. William Patterson and Mrs. J. R. Swain.

In January there will be ready for our use, for Directors' and Prayer meetings, a delightful new auditorium on the fourth floor, Walnut Street front, Witherspoon Building, replacing Westminster Hall, now occupied by the bookstore of the Board of Publication.

OUR Executive Committee received from Tennessee a grateful letter of appreciation of the visit of our Secretary, Mrs. Chester, to their annual Synodical Meeting. Mrs. Chester brings tidings of deep interest and warm-hearted gatherings.

NEW JERSEY Synodical Meeting, held in Jersey City, Oct. 12, showed a prosperous year

among all the organizations and gave encouraging news from New Jersey's missionaries. A feature of the meeting was Miss Hodge's address upon the necessity of instilling missionary knowledge into the children by use of our interesting magazine, *Over Sea and Land*, and naturally following this the need of study by their elders, who should use *Christus Liberator*, urging Miss Parsons' plea that each lesson be accompanied with earnest prayer.

THE Baltimore Synodical Society on Oct. 25—the one rainy day of the season—gathered a goodly company of earnest women in hospitable Wilmington to review with thankfulness a year of fruitful work. There was unity, yet diversity, in the message of each presbyterial president, as she told of whole and half-hearted service from the real and half-Christian women in her society. Mrs. Thorpe's telling address gave food for fresh thought. Mr. Killie brought a living message from Pao tingfu. Thirteen missionaries, the charge of this society, were earnestly remembered in prayer and the new year was begun under the leadership of the new president, Mrs. J. B. Turner of Dover, Del., in a spirit of consecration which cannot fail of blessing.

J. M. T.

OUR Board of Directors has met with a great loss in the death of Mrs. C. M. Alford, whose patient endurance of many months of suffering testified to the power of the grace of God. Her exceptional gifts of mind and heart were unstintingly used in the cause of foreign missions.

REQUESTS from presbyterial societies for a Traveling Library will be granted by application to our office.

TO LITERATURE SECRETARIES: The number of subscriptions for WOMAN'S WORK in our territory has been slightly augmented since the beginning of our fiscal year, but we would impress upon all Literature Secretaries the need of faithfulness in their duty in securing and forwarding renewals of each subscription before its expiration. *Failures to renew often counterbalance new subscriptions gained.*

AMONG illustrated programmes for children, the one on Africa has been revised and reprinted.

LEAFLETS: *Selma, Salaam, Little People of Syria, A Syrian Day school and Vacation*, each 2 cts.; *Why Pray for Syrian Day schools? Why We Give to Syrian Day schools*, both free.

From Chicago.

Meetings at Room 48, Le Moyne Block, 40 E. Randolph Street, every Friday at 10 A. M. Visitors welcome.

ARE our auxiliaries using either the monthly envelope system or mite-boxes generally? "Systematics," as "Thanksgiving Ann" says, "is a great comfort, as well as help." Besides the envelopes, a mite-box could be on each one's mantel, convenient to catch the little gifts for daily and hourly blessings. How many of us think of these? While many are denying themselves, perhaps, what hosts of our church people give only what they "happen to have" when the collection plate passes.

There are, according to the Assembly's *Minutes*, 1,115,662 members in our churches. If each one would give a few cents a week, think of the gain, the increase in work and workers. A year ago we told of wonderful offerings of native Christians; very few gave less than a dollar a year and most of them five, ten and twenty dollars.

A REVIEW of the first half year finds much cause for joy and thanksgiving, notwithstanding the decrease in receipts, which at first sight might dismay. This difference being wholly in legacies, we may rather be glad that death has not taken our members. An increase of over a thousand dollars in October gifts looks like peaceable fruits of Mission Study, with *Christus Liberator* to inspire with its stirring and vigorously told story of Missions in Africa. The steady fire of the author's fervid spirit never burned brighter than in this volume. Remember it for your Christmas gifts. Read and study it first yourself.

It is the practice in the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the church at Hyde Park, Ill., to appoint a member as committee on missionary letters, who secures some one, each month, to write a letter to the missionary supported by the church.

Mrs. Van Hook of Tabriz, Persia, conceived a very happy way to answer these twelve letters. On one of her missionary tours she took snapshots of the most interesting views, including the city gate of Khoi, the house which she called "home," the travelers *en route*, hospital and mission grounds, street scenes, and wrote a vivid, attractive description of the pictures to each friend who had written her.

Do not fail to get the *Year Book*, 10 cts.; use it daily, let those who observe the Quiet Hour use it then, but every one can use it daily when "entering into thy closet."

MRS. D. B. WELLS has prepared a "Prayer Calendar for the Home Workers." "to be used daily in connection with the *Year Book of Prayer* and the *Annual Report* of the Board of the Northwest. Look in the latter for names of synodical and presbyterial officers, and the number and locality of auxiliary societies." Price, 2 cts.; 80 copies, \$1.

LEAFLETS for this month: *Little People of Syria*, *Salaam*, *Syria East of the Jordan*, each, 2 cts. Folding Mite-Boxes, postage 7 cts. a dozen. Collectors' envelopes, postage on one dozen sets, 5 cts. Address Miss S. B. Stebbins, Room 48, 40 East Randolph St., Chicago, Ill.

From New York.

Prayer-meeting at 156 Fifth Ave., cor. 20th St., the first Wednesday of each month, at 10.30 A. M. Each other Wednesday there is a half-hour meeting for prayer and reading of missionary letters, commencing at same hour.

In the death of Mrs. William Alling of Rochester, our Board loses a loyal and beloved friend, a wise counselor, and faithful officer. For thirty years she has been one of our vice-presidents and her name appears in the records of the Board almost from the beginning. The first meeting of the Board outside of this city was held in Rochester at a critical time in its history, and its success was largely due to Mrs. Alling's advice and assistance.

We desire to record our appreciation of the clear judgment, the intelligent interest, the loving devotion and untiring zeal which have distinguished the service she has rendered to our Board and to the cause of Missions these many years.

We offer to the family of Mrs. Alling and to the Women's Missionary Society of Rochester Presbytery our sincere sympathy in the great loss they have sustained. May this example incite us all to a more whole hearted devotion to the cause of world-wide Missions.

OUR Wednesday meeting, November 1st, made a fine beginning for the month. We had a large attendance and were also favored with an unusually large representation of missionaries at home on furlough. Among this honored band were two veterans from Africa, Mrs. De Heer, who went out in 1864, and Mrs. Reutlinger, who has also been in Africa forty years. Though they did not speak to us, their very silence was eloquent of long years of faithfulness in a trying field.

Mrs. Schaufler led the meeting and introduced as the first speaker Mrs. James B. Rodgers of Manila. She told of her very interesting work among the women, who have a better position in the Philippines than in most Oriental countries. Their simple housekeeping gives them abundant leisure and they are an important factor in carrying the gospel to surrounding villages.

Mrs. Pierce A. Chamberlain of Villa Nova, Brazil, told of successful school work. She was at our October meeting expecting to sail the next week for Brazil, when her husband was suddenly compelled to go to the Presbyterian Hospital for operation for appendicitis.

Rev. James B. Rodgers gave a very encouraging report of development in the Philippines and of the acceptance accorded to the gospel message. The Filipinos rejoice in their liberation from the yoke of Rome and the liberty of the gospel is even more precious than civil liberty.

Rev. William B. Hunt of Pyeng Yang, Korea, said that the Korean is a man of a distinct character of his own, quite different from the Chinese or Japanese. Their efforts for self support are most encouraging.

Dr. Arthur Brown gave a few recent messages from various missions and closed the service with the benediction. A. C. C.

ANY Juniors who take one look at the two shining little black faces, with white teeth gleaming in rapturous joy as the owners clasp to their lightly clad bosoms their first dolls

which adorn the cover of Miss Crowell's new *Africa for Juniors*, will be quite sure to go further and investigate what is under the cover. They will find a little book of 86 pages, in clear type of good size, which contains a wonderful amount of information about Africa, geographically, historically, socially and religiously. They will find, too, suggested ways of utilizing the book: review questions, puzzles, map work, suggested programmes, etc. It is all presented in a bright and readable style intelligible to the youngest, intelligent enough to hold the interest of older ones. The book is enriched with many illustrations from photographs, and even more enriched by quotations from the words of Livingstone, Stanley, Melvin Fraser, Dr. Halsey, and our own Jean Mackenzie. E. E.

LEAFLETS on Syria: *Some Notable Syria Missionaries*, 5 cts.; *Hid Treasure*, 3 cts.; *Sulaam*, 2 cts.; *Dr. C. V. A. Van Dyck*, 2 cts.

From Northern New York.

THE fall meeting, which was held October 10, in Hoosick Falls, was one of much interest, and in spite of threatening skies, foreboding a stormy day, was well attended. A delightful devotional service, led by Miss Wells of Saratoga, preceded the morning session, at which the pastor, Rev. E. P. Berry, spoke a word of welcome on behalf of the ladies of the church. The president followed with earnest words of inspiration for the furtherance of the work for the coming winter. The magazines were called to the attention of delegates by their faithful friend and advocate, Miss Bush, who also urged the use of the new study class book, *Christus Liberator*. The address by Mrs. F. S. Curtis of Kyoto, Japan, was most helpful as well as interesting. At noon a bountiful lunch was served by the ladies.

At the afternoon session brief addresses were made by Mrs. Mont G. Curtis, in regard to new work for the year and urging on the societies loyalty to the objects assigned for their support, and by Mrs. Arnold, our beloved Treasurer, speaking in regard to the need of promptness in forwarding money.

Miss De Forest, assisted by Miss Templeton, gave a delightful report of the conference at Silver Bay and made an earnest appeal for Mission Study classes. It was a great pleasure to welcome again to the homeland our own missionary, Rev. James B. Rodgers, D.D., whose admirable address was listened to with great interest and helped us to realize what a blessed privilege is ours in having a part in this work. A hearty vote of thanks was given to the church ladies for their abounding hospitality and untiring efforts for the welfare of their guests.

The solos rendered by Mrs. J. Bartlett Hydorn of Albany were greatly enjoyed.

A DELIGHTFUL letter, full of encouraging items from Mrs. Noyes, will be of interest to all the societies. It can be obtained of Miss M. H. Knight, 20 Second Ave., Upper Troy, N. Y.

MR. LINGLE expected to sail Nov. 4; glad to be returning. He specially asked that he

be remembered in our prayers, a request that we feel sure his many friends will not forget.

It is not too late to order *Christus Liberator*. Send to Miss M. H. Knight, who will also fill orders for *Daybreak in the Dark Continent*. The *Year Book of Prayer* for 1906 (10 cts.) and mite-boxes (postage only required) can be had of Miss C. A. Bush, 31 Second Street, Troy.

From St. Louis.

Meetings the first and third Tuesdays of each month at 10 A. M., at Room 21, 1516 Locust St., St. Louis, Mo. Missionary literature for sale at the above number. Visitors always cordially welcome.

WORD comes through Park College of the narrow escape of Mr. Geo. McCune and his wife, Helen McAfee McCune, from drowning off the coast of Korea. Some one's prayers were invoking the Heavenly Father's protection, and those prayers were answered. We are very thankful that we know of their safe arrival at their destination.

MISS ELIZABETH SKINNER of the Leaflet Committee of the Board of the Northwest made a short call at our Board Rooms in October.

OUR Field Secretary, Mrs. Harry C. Williams, writes that the presence of young people at the meetings she attended in Hannibal Presbytery was very encouraging. Everywhere we hear that Mrs. Williams was received with enthusiasm and listened to with interest. We hope to see in the Literature Secretary's and Treasurer's reports the evidences of the depth of the interest excited.

A REPORT comes from Mrs. Moon, president of Sequoyah Presbytery, of the Synodical Meeting of Indian Territory and Oklahoma, which was held at Muskogee. The new synodical officers are the same as the former ones with five exceptions,—the president is Mrs. Leon C. Ross of Tahlequah; vice-president, Mrs. N. B. Moon, Haskell; Y. P. Sec., Mrs. O. E. Cramer, Muskogee; Freedmen's Sec., Mrs. Treadwell, Tishomingo; Rec. Sec., Mrs. F. R. Farrand, El Reno. From Mrs. Moon's letter we catch glimpses of a most enjoyable and profitable meeting.—“one of the best we ever had, surprising us in the matter of attendance and general interest,—we really did not expect such unusually good things.”

WE are prepared to fill orders for *Christus Liberator* in cloth and paper binding, and the “Special Helps” for that study; also *Africa for Juniors*. The *Year Book* for 1906 is in,—price, 10 cts.

FOR Praise Meetings we have two narrative leaflets: *The Gift of Love* and *Mrs. Grant's Mistake*; price, each, 2 cts. apiece, 15 cts. the dozen. These we have purchased from a sister Board. *Praise Meeting* invitations are 25 cts. per 100; *Service of Praise*, “Thanks be to God for His Unspeakable Gift,” price, 15 cts. per dozen, \$1.00 per 100; *Praise Meeting of the Flowers* (poetry), 10 cts. per dozen, are ready for Programme Committees.

We also have a good assortment of literature on Syria for use at the December meetings. See address at head of these notes.

From San Francisco.

Public meeting first Monday of each month at 10.30 A. M. and 1.15 P. M. at 920 Sacramento St. All are invited. Executive Committee, third Monday.

WE have many good things to study the coming winter. *Christus Liberator* will take us into a most interesting field. The *New York Independent* (Oct. 12) tells us: "Few people realize how widely interest in this course of study is spreading through mission clubs, classes, and missionary societies"—that "more than two hundred thousand copies of these books have been sold, and it is safe to say that from fifty to a hundred thousand copies of Miss Parsons' new book on Africa will be studied during the coming year. Sir Harry Johnston's introduction is scholarly and scientific, and he states unhesitatingly his conviction, that the Missions which have preached Christianity in Africa, since 1840, constitute the one feature of the white man's invasion of the continent which History will rank as unquestionably good."

United Study of Missions is a plan adopted by the Women's Boards of the United States and Canada. Forty-four Boards have taken it up. Send orders for *Christus Liberator* and Dr. Halsey's *Visit to W. Africa*, to Miss Belle Garrette, 2503 Central Ave., Alameda, Cal.

THE new *Year Book of Prayer* for Foreign Missions for 1906 will be promptly sent to our societies. No one who is interested will consent to be without it. Dr. Halsey says in the preface, "that, in the West Africa Mission, without a single exception, the Year Book of Prayer formed a part of the family devotions.

Receipts of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Presbyterian Church from Oct. 1, 1905.

[PRESBYTERIES IN SMALL CAPITALS.] * Thank Offering.

ATHENS.—Marietta, \$41.40
 BELLEFONTAINE.—Belle Centre, 15, C.E., 3; Bellefontaine, 25; Bucyrus, 30; Crestline, 5.70; De Graff, 5; Gallion, 23, C.E., 8; Kenton, 40; Marselles, 5; Tiro, 3; Upper Sandusky, C.E. Jr., 2; West Liberty, 2.50. 167.20
 BLAIRSVILLE.—Bradcock, 1st, L.L.B., 11.27; Greensburg, Westminster, 6; Johnstown, 1st, 52; New Alexandria, 10; Wilmerding, 4.35. 83.62
 BUTLER.—Allegheny, 2; Butler, 1st, Y.W., 14, S.S. Jrs., 6; 2d, Y.W., 3.71; Clintonville, 9; Concord, 7, L.L.B., 2; Crestview, C.E., 2; Evans City, 8.80; Grove City, 28; Martinsburg, 12, C.E., 15; Middlesex, C.E., 70; Mt. Nebo, 5.75; North Liberty, 11; Petrolia, 1.75; Plain Grove, 14.36; Plains, 4.57; Portersville, 6; Prospect, 4; Slippery Rock, 10, C.E. Jr., 1; Unionville, 8. 245.94
 CARLISLE.—Carlisle, 1st, 25; 2d, 30; Chambersburg, Central, 20; Falling Spring, 16, Y.L.S., 35; Dickinson, 5; Dillsburg, Monaghan, 5.45, C.E., 5.30; Gettysburg, 20, C.E., 4; Greencastle, Y.L.S., 7.50; Harrisburg, Market Sq., 257.11; Macedonia Bld., 50, Sr. Dept. S.S., 18.97; Lebanon, 4th, 10; Mercersburg, 4.73; Mechanicsburg, 14; Newport, 9.25; Paxton, 35; Shippensburg, 51, Y.L.B., 11.50; Silver Spring, 35, 670.00
 CLARION.—Wilcox, C.E., 2.00
 COLUMBUS.—Columbus, 1st, 11; Broad St., C.E., 25; Primary Bld., 7.75; Central, 47.61, Y.L.S., 20, A Lady, 30; Olivet, 8.77; Westminster League, 11; W. Broad St., 13; Lancaster, 10; London, 7.50; Plain City, 6.65; Westerville, 4, C.E., 3; Henry Bushnell Bld., 3; Worthington, Jr. Helpers, 5, 213.27
 DAYTON.—Dayton, 1st, Y.L.B., 10; 3d, E. W. W. Soc., 5, Carrie Montgomery Aux., 25; 4th, 30; Mem'l, 30; Park, 10; Fletcher, 2.50; Franklin, 15; Greenville, 23; Hamilton, Westminster, 2.25; New Jersey, 5; Springfield, 10; 30.90; 2d, 15; 3d, 2; Troy, 18.75; Xenia, King's Daughters, 85 cts., 225.25
 ELIZABETH.—Basking Ridge, 46.50, C.E., 15, C.E. Jr., 6; Clinton, 21; Connecticut Farms, 10; Cranford, 19.30; Dunellen, 25; Lamington, 11; Liberty Corner, 5; Lower Valley, 21; Metuchen, C.E. Jr., 3.55; Perth Amboy, 20; Plainfield, Crescent Ave., 165; Pluckemin, 32.25; Crescent Bld., 21.46; Rahway, 1st, 6.50; Roselle, 22.05, C.E., 10; Westfield, 10; Woodbridge, 15, 485.61
 ERIE.—Cool Spring, C.E., 10; Erie, Park, 25; Edenboro, 3.98; Franklin, C.E., 20; Girard, 2.47; Meadville, 1st, 17; Mercer, 1st, 11.30; North East, 30.07; Oil City, Y.L.S., 35,

In one home—the month was December, the topic Syria—the leader, after reading from the Year Book the subject of prayer for the day, told of a visit to Syria and gave a single item of interest regarding the work there. In another home—the month was February, the topic China—the leader spoke of the one to be prayed for as a classmate, and quoted a sentence from a letter recently received from him. In another home, pithy comments or recent items of news from WOMAN'S WORK were given and prayer followed, specific, intelligent, heartfelt." Dr. Halsey adds, "The Year Book is the prayer roster of the Presbyterian household."

MRS. WM. S. SPEAR and daughter recently made a visit to San Francisco. Dr. Spear built the Presbyterian Mission House for the Chinese, in 1852. They must have found little in San Francisco then but sand dunes. The Chinese came here early, and much good was done among them. Mrs. Spear found many friends.

A SAN FRANCISCO newspaper announces that twenty Los Angeles girls are to be initiated into the Hindu faith by means of impressive ceremonies, and are said to be the first Americans ever entitled to full enrollment as members of that heathen faith. The paper states that these girls belong to families of undoubted social position. We urge mothers in Los Angeles and elsewhere to protect their families from such an invasion in this Christian land. Mrs. Caroline Atwater Mason, the author of *Lux Christi, Outline Study of India*, has written *The Little Green God*, a most instructive, persuasive book, which fits the case. Let everybody read it.

Cheerful Workers, 2; Tidioute, C.E., 15; Utica, 9.70, 181.58
 FRENCH BROAD.—Allanstad, Y.P.S., 2.50; Burnsville, Banks Creek, 1.50; Oakland Heights, Ashland Farm School, 3.66; Reems Creek, 1; Riceville, 1.50, 10.16
 GRAFTON.—Buckhannon, 8.56; Clarksburg, 1.60; Fairmont, 6; French Creek, 1.50; Grafton, 3; Mannington, 6; Morgantown, 8.26, 34.92
 HOLSTON.—Johnson City, Wautauga Ave., 4.61; Mt. Bethel, 4.87, Bd., 4.49; Salem, 4.85, C.E., 1.53, 20.35
 HUNTINGDON.—Altoona, 1st, 21, 2d, 22; Bellefonte, 125.40; Clearfield, 36.12; Duncansville, 13; East Kishacoquillas, C. E., 10; Hollidaysburg, 128; Legacy Miss. M. L. Coolbroth, 250; Huntingdon, 67.30; Lewistown, 50, Y.L.S., 58.70, C.E., 57.50; McVeytown, 15; Milliftown, 24.63; Osceola, 20; Phillipsburg, 10; Arbutus Bld., 5; Siuking Valley, 16.50; Spruce Creek, 145, 1,075.15
 HURON.—Fostoria, 12.50; McCutchenville, 3; Monroeville, 8; Norwalk, 9, C.E., 5; Olena, 7; Sandusky, 11.25, C. E., 34; Tiffin, 5.25, 95.00
 JERSEY CITY.—Garfield, 2.50; Hackensack, 1st, C.E., 10; Hoboken, 1st, 11.60, Wood Violets, 10; Jersey City, 1st, 8.95, Y.L., 7.21; Leonia, 6.42; Newfoundland, 3.80; Passaic, 1st, 26; Paterson, 1st, 18; Lake View, C.E., 5; Rutherford, 1st, 26.05; Tenady, 1st, C.E., 5; West Milford, 5, 145.53
 KINGSTON.—Chattanooga, 2d, 22.80, Y.L.B., 7.84; Harriman, 8; Huntsville, 90 cts.; Kingston, 3; New Decatur, 13.20; Sherman Heights, C.E., 4, C.E. Jr., 2, 61.74
 KITTANNING.—Apollo, 35.50; Hoopful Bld., 1.65; Faithful Workers, 35 cts.; Elderton, 10.60; Glen Campbell, 2.50; Indiana, 65.50; Kittanning, 200; Marion, 5.20; Rural Valley, 22.45; Saltsburg, 30, C.E. Jr., 5; Slate Lick, 17.45, 396.20
 LACKAWANNA.—Athens, 32.50; Bennett, 2.50; Carbondale, 70, True Light Bld., 7.50; Forty Fort, 10; Honesdale, 30; Kingston, Jackson Bld., 3.45; Monroeton, 4; Montrose, Ever Ready Bld., 15; Orwell, 6; Plymouth, 14.80; Scott, 4.35; Scranton, 1st, 75; 2d, A Lady, 250; Susquehanna, 11, C.E., 3; Towanda, 37; Troy, 20; Ulster, 6.25; West Pittston, Willing Workers, 13; Wilkes-Barre, 1st, 75; Wyalusing, 1st, Nassau Bld., 14, 704.35
 LEHIGH.—Allentown, 1st, 13; Allen Township, 10; Bethlehem, 1st, 15; Easton, Brainerd Union, 59.55; College Hill, 12; South, Prim. Cl., 5.82; Mauch Chunk, 8.50; Pottsville, 1st, 30; Shawnee, 4, Sunrise Bld., 2; Stroudsburg, 21.40,

C.E. Jr., 3. 184.27
 LIMA.—Ada, 14; Enon Valley, 3.25; Findlay, 2d, 2; Lima, Market St., 32.50; Ottawa, 12; St. Mary's, 33.22; Van Wert, 12. 108.97
 MAHONING.—Alliance, 18; Brookfield, 4.50; Canfield, 22; Concord, 3; Kinsman, 20; Lectonia, 5; Lisbon, 10; Salem, C.E., 14; Youngstown, 1st, 45. Mary Edwards Soc., 3; Westm'r, 15.34. 159.84
 MARION.—Cardington, 1; Marion, 35 50, C.E., 26.59; Mt. Gilead, 10, Calvin Club, 7; Trenton, 10. 99.09
 MORRIS AND ORANGE.—E. Orange, Bethel, 12.50; Brick, Woman's Benev. Soc., 100; Madison, 26.23, Y.P.S., 10; New Providence, 45; Orange, 1st, 125; Central, 100, Boys' Brigade, 30. 448.73
 NEW BRUNSWICK.—Alexandria, 1st, Mt. Pleasant, 6.55, C.E., 2.50; Amwell, 1st, 5; United 1st, C.E., 2; 2d, 8.50; Bound Brook, 5, C.E., 10; Dayton, 13; Dutch Neck, C.E., 10; Freuchtown, C.E. Jr., 10; Flemington, 11.85; Holland, 2.50; Hopewell, 5, C.E. 3; Lambertville, C.E., 15; Milford, 38.25; New Brunswick, 1st, 25, C.E., 3.75, C.E. Jr., 5; Pennington, C.E., 3; Princeton, 1st, 67 71; Trenton, 1st, C.E., 12.50; 3d, C.E., 25; 4th, C.E., 12.50; East, C.E., 12.50; Walnut Ave., 4. 319.11
 NEW CASTLE.—Dover, 6.50; Elkton, 12 60; Forest, C.E., 6; Glasgow, 3, C.E., 1.25; Green Hill, Earnest Workers, 6.75; Lewes, 23; Lower Brandywine, 2; Newark, C.E. Jr., 5; Manoken, Gillespie Bld., 2.03; Port Deposit, 12; Port Penn, 4; Rock, 3; Smyrna, 2; West Nottingham, 12; Wicomico, 4; Wilmington, Olivet, 5; Rodney St., 5; West, C. E., 22.35, C.E. Jr., 5; Zion, 2, Happy Harvesters, 5; Sarah A. Beals, 2. 151.50
 PARKERSBURG.—Hughes River, 10; Parkersburg, 3 50; Ravenswood, 4.45; Sistersville, 4, Miss. Club, 5; Spencer, 1.20; Waverly, 4. 32.15
 PHILADELPHIA.—Bethlehem, Y.P., 34; Northern Liberties, 1st, Little Gleaners, 30; Union Tabernacle, Robt. Hunter Bld., 50, Prim. Cl., 10; Woodland, 57.83. 181.83
 PHILADELPHIA NORTH.—Fox Chase, 15 60; Germantown, 1st, 25.55; 2d, 75; Market Sq., 7.25; Mt. Airy, 10, A Lady, 540; Neshaminy of Warwick, 23, C.E., 5; Norristown, Central, C.E., 10.25; Oak Lane, Girls' Bld., 20. 731.65
 PITTSBURGH AND ALLEG. COM.—Allegheny Central, Bd. of Six, 20; McClure Ave., 58.90; Manchester, 9; North, 50; Avalon, 5; Ben Avon, C.E., 10; Castle Shannon, 3.50; Charities, 11; Clifton, 2.70; Donora, 4.30, C.E., 4.50; Glenshaw, 12; Hoboken, 12; Ingram, 17, Y.L.B., 13, Cheerful Workers, 2.76; Leetsdale, 18.25; McDonald, 31; Monongahela, 50; Pine Creek, Y.P.S., 13; Pittsburg, 1st, 50; 2d, 7.35; 3d, 241.29; 4th, Shrom Bld., 20; 6th, 25; Bellefield, 100; East End, 10.93; East Liberty, 200, Henry Bld., 10, Buds of Promise, 25; 43d St., 30.65; Friendship Ave., 60; Highland, 42; Homewood Ave., 6; Sewickley, 25; Sharpsburg, 15; Van Port, 5; Wilkinsburg, 1st, 20; 2d, 23; Friend of Missions, 25. 1,289 13
 PORTSMOUTH.—Ironton, 9.65; Jackson, 5; Mt. Leigh, 2; Portsmouth, 1st, 15; 2d, 56.60; Red Oak, 1; Russellville, 1. 90.25
 ST. CLAIRVILLE.—Barnesville, Westm'r League, 17.38; Bealsville, 3; Bellaire, 1st, 18; Cadiz, 182, C.E. Jr., 15; Cambridge, 16.85; Coal Brook, C.E., 5; Concord, 30; Crabapple, 26.83; Dillonvale, 1; Farmington, 6; Martin's Ferry, 20; Mt. Pleasant, 43, King's Messengers, 20; Powhatan, C. 1,289 13
Receipts of the Woman's Presbyterian Board of Missions of the Northwest for the months ending August 20 and October 20, 1905.
 ADAMS.—Hallock, \$11.65
 ALTON.—Alton, 5.50; Carrollton, 11; E. St. Louis, 12; Greenville, 5; Jerseyville, 7.25; Reno, 8.60; Sparta, 9; Upper Alton, 6.50; Virden, 8; Walnut Grove, 5. 77.85
 BLOOMINGTON.—Bement, 6, C.E., 50; Bloomington, 1st, 26.80, C.E., 12.50; 2d, 80, Y.P.U., 15; Champaign, 55, C.E., 15; Chenoa, 8.80; Clinton, 100, C.E., 25; Danville, 1st, 20; 2d, 1; El Paso, 7; Gibson City, 41; Heyworth, 11.50; Homer, 6.25; Hopkoston, 6; Lexington, 21; Miononk, 7; Normal, 11, C.E., 8.50; Onarga, 20; Paxton, 10; Philo, 14.30; Piper City, 2.35; Rankin, 15.10; Rossville, 6, C.E., 2; Tolo, 7.70; Urbana, 3.05; Watseka, 5, C.E., 5; To even up, 15 cts., 628.00
 BOISE.—Boise, 1st, 10; Caldwell, 2.95; Payette, C.E., 3.75. 16.70
 BOULDER.—Berthond, 5; Boulder, 35; Ft. Morgan, 8; Fossil Creek, 4; Greeley, 14; Laporte, 2; Lasalle, 2.54; Longmont, 11; Loveland, 5; Timnath, 3.75. 90.29
 BOX BUTTE.—Bodarc, 2.65; Valentine, Jr.C.E., 75 cts., 3.40
 BUTTE.—Anaconda, 5; Butte, 36.45; Deer Lodge, 5; Dillon, 1.55. 43.00
 CAHO.—Bridgeport, 2.50; Du Quoin, 7; Golconda, 5; Mt. Carmel, 11.08; Olney, 10; Tamaroa, 3. 33.58
 CEDAR RAPIDS.—Anamosa, C.E., 3.50; Atkins, 6; Bellevue, C.E., 4.20; Blairstown, 3; Cedar Rapids, 1st, 124, C.E., 12.5; Central Park, 8; Olivet, 6; Sinclair Mem'l, C.E., 94 cts.; Westm'r, 30, C.E., 10; Center Junction, 7; Clarence, 30, C.E., 10; Clinton, 97, C.E., 5.50; Garrison, 7; Lyons, 5; Marion, 35, C.E., 25; Mechanicsville, 6, C.E., 10; Monticello, 13, C.E., 10; Mt. Vernon, Linn Grove, 25; Ouslow, 6, C.E., 2.50; Paralta, 2.50; Scotch Grove, 3.50; Springville,

E., 6; Rock Hill, 4.25; Washington, 11; Woodfield, 3.45, 428.76
 SOUTH FLORIDA.—Eustis, C.E., 15.00
 SOUTHERN VIRGINIA.—Richmond, 1st, 1.00
 WASHINGTON (PA.).—Burgettstown, 1st, 19; Claysville, 18; East Buffalo, 20.40; Florence, 17.50; Lower Ten Mile, 6.25; Upper Buffalo, 50; Washington, 1st, 75, Cornes Bld., 25, C.E., 10; 2d, 32.19, Non Nobis Bld., 9, A Friend, 30, Gleaners, Girls, 9.53; 3d, 25, Y.L.B., 25; West Alexander, Hold the Fort Bld., 10. 381.87
 WELLSBORO.—Elkland, 5.87; Osceola, 8. 13.87
 WEST JERSEY.—Atco, C.E. Jr., 4.50; Bridgeton, 1st, 26.01; Bunker Hill, C.E., 2, C.E. Jr., 1; Camden, 1st, 15.98; Calvary, 7; Grace, C.E., 5; Cape May, C.E., 53.82; Cedarville, 8.25; Cold Spring, 15; Haddonfield, 15; Merchantville, 5.65; Millville, 18.50; Pittsgrove, Y.L., 8.30; Salem, C.E. Jr., 2. 188.01
 WESTMINSTER.—Bellevue, *11; Centre, *26; Chancelord, *15; Chestnut Level, *17.50, Earnest Workers, 6; Columbia, *20; Hopewell, *14.50; Lancaster, 1st, 56 (*31); Bethany, *10; Leacock, 33.50 (*25); Little Britain, 58 (*23), Y.P. B., 12 (*2), C.E., 105; Marietta, 43.84 (*20); Middle Octorara, 6; New Harmony, *11 50, C.E., *5; Pequa, *5; Pine Grove, *5.50; Slate Ridge, *11.25; Slateville, *17; Stewartstown, 45 (*15); Union, 60 (*27), C.E., *11; Wrightsville, 19.50 (*11.50), Willing Workers, *6; York, 1st, 146.05 (*102.35); Calvary, *11, C.E. Jr., *4; Westm'r, *10, Girls' C.E. Jr., *1.50. 803.64
 WHEELING, NOT INCLUDED IN PBY.—Wheeling, 1st, Woman's Circle, 75.00
 WOOSTER.—Ashland, 2.90; Belleville, 3; Congress, 10; Dalton, 6; Haysville, 24; Mansfield, 22.48, C.E., 7.50; Millersburg, 8.35; Ontario, 3; Savannah, 12; Wayne, 6.90; Wooster, 1st, 24; Westm'r, 35.70; Wooster Pres. Soc., 1.64. 167.47
 ZANESVILLE.—Coshocton, 13.68; Dresden, 3.82; Duncan's Falls, 2.25; Frazeyburg, 1; Fredericks-town, 2; Granville, 25; Hanover, 2; Jersey, 10.90; Keene, 10; Madison, 40; Mt. Vernon, 12.50, C.E., 4.79; Newark, 1st, 9, C.E. Jr., 3.68; New Concord, 15; Putaskala, 15; Unity, C.E., 5.60; Zanesville, 1st, 11; Brighton, 10; Zanesville Pres. Soc., 79.72. 276.94
 NEW JERSEY SYNODICAL SOCIETY.—Contingent Fd., 100.00
 MISCELLANEOUS.—Miss Condit, W. Orange, N. J., 5; A Lady and Gentleman, Tolono, Ill., 135; Int., 188.05. 328.05
 Total for October, 1905, \$11,426.40
 Total since May 1, 1905, 34,223.85
 (MISS) SARAH W. CATTELL, Treas.,
 501 Witherspoon Building, Philadelphia.
 October 31, 1905.
 The Auxiliaries of Jersey City Pres. Soc. gave \$25 for a camera for Miss Jane A. Hyde, China; Morris Plains, N. J., Aux., \$15 to Mrs. Geo. P. Pierson, Japan, for work among Japanese soldiers; Orange, N. J., Central, Boys' Brigade, \$20 to Mrs. Pierson for S.S. work in Japan; Lewistown, Pa., Y.L.S., \$15 to Miss Bessie Milliken, Japan, for work among prisoners; Northminster Church, Phila., Aux., \$7, Young Disciples' Bld., 55, Miscellaneous, \$45.75, to Miss M. E. Rogers, India, for Rakha Organisation.
 10; Vinton, 95; Wyoming, 20. 693.14
 CHICAGO.—Arlington Heights, Bd., 7.46; Austin, Faith, C.E., 25; Belden Ave., 8; Buena Mem'l, 12.50; Calvary, 3.40; Campbell Pk., W. Benev. S., 8; Covenant, 10; 1st, 75; 2d, 7; 3d, 102; 4th, 32; 6th, 40; 7th, 4; 8th, 10; Edgewater, 5, C.E., 10; Endeavor, 4; Englewood, 1st, 26, C.E., 25; Boys' Congress of Missions, 5; 52d Ave., 3; 41st St., 42; Garfield Blvd., Jr. C.E., 2.25; Hyde Pk., 158; Normal Pk., 5; Ridge-way Ave., 2.24; South Pk., 6; Chicago Heights, 10; Deerfield, 2; Evanston, 1st, 150, C.E., 25; 2d, 54.50; Herscher, 2; Homewood, 3; Joliet, Central, 48; Kankakee, 9.50; Lake Forest, Steady Streams, 108.29; Manteno, 5.85, C.E., 12.50; River Forest, 21; Riverside, 30; Waukegan, 25; Dr. Mary Bradford, 5; To even up, 85 cts., 1,150.34
 CHIPPewa.—Ashland, Bethel, C.E., 3; Chippewa Falls, 6; Stanley, 7.75; W. Superior, 9.50. 26.25
 CORNING.—Vilisca, C.E., 25.00
 COUNCIL BLUFFS.—Menlo, C.E., 5; Missouri Valley, C. E., 9, Inter C.E., 5, Jr. C.E., 7.50; Woodbine, C.E., 1, 27.50
 CRAWFORDSVILLE.—Benton Co. Assn., 4; Clinton Co. Assn., 4; Fountain Co. Assn., 4; Montgomery Co. Assn., 4; Warren Co. Assn., 4. 20.00
 DENVER.—Brighton, C.E., 5.76; Denver, Central, 139; Corona, 6.25; 1st Ave., 17.50, C.E., 10, Little Women, 7.50; Highland Pk., 9.30; North, 7, S. Broadway, 10; 23d Ave., 22.50; Westm'r, 3.46; Littleton, 2; Wray, 1.90. 242.17
 DES MOINES.—Adel, 15; Centerville, 5; Chariton, 15; Colfax, 6.10; Des Moines, Central, 90.25; 1st, 16.25, C.E., 5; Highland Pk., 3.88; 6th, 22.75; Westm'r, 10; Dexter, 3.88; Durlam, 15.85; Indianola, 18.90; Knoxville, 40; Leon, 10.82;

Milo, 5; Newton, 9.85; New Sharon, 3; Oskaloosa, 6.50; Panora, 9; Russell, 14; Seymour, 3.75, C.E., 2; Winterset, 46.28, G. F. Bd., 5, 383.06

DETROIT.—Detroit, Fort St., Westm'r League, 18.75; Jefferson Ave., 149.50; Scovel Mem'l, 9, C.E., 7.60; 2d Ave., 7; Ypsilanti, 30; Presbyterian Soc., 47.70, 269.55

DUBUQUE.—Coggon, 3.50, C.E., 5.40, Jr. C.E., 6; Dubuque, Westm'r, 24.15, C.E., 3; Farley, C.E., 1; Hazelton, 1.94; Hopkinton, 14.25, C.E., 8.79; Independence, 1st, 30.28, C.E., 11; Jesup, 11.64, C.E., 1.85; Maynard, C.E., 4.40; Mt. Hope, 2.90; Rowley, 5; Volga, 9.45; Walker, Bethany, 5; Winthrop, Pine Creek, 7.96, 157.51

DULUTH.—Duluth, 1st, 11.15; 2d, 1; Lakeside, 7; Glen Avon, 2; Sandstone, 2, 23.15

FARGO.—Casselton, 3; Fargo, 12.37; Grandin, C.E., 7, 22.37

FLINT.—Fenton, 1.30; Flint, 11.40, Westm'r League, 2.28; Harbor Beach, C.E., 3.70; Lapeer, 10.39; Marlette, 1st, 3, C.E., 2; 2d, 14.20; Morrice, 5; Vassar, C.E., 3.90; Yale, 4.60, 61.77

FORT DODGE.—Algona, 10; Armstrong, 15; Boone, 25, C.E., 4.85; Carroll, 30, C.E., 6.12; Ft. Dodge, 8.25; Glidden, 35, Jr. C.E., 1; Germania, 5; Grand Junction, 10; Jefferson, C.E., 7.50, Jr. C.E., 1.50; Lake City, 30, C.E., 4, Jr. C.E., 1.50; Livermore, 10; Lohrville, 6.22; Pomeroy, 9.50; Pochantons, 10; Rockwell City, 26, C.E., 4.85; Spirit Lake, 23, C.E., 5; West Bend, 4, 293.29

FORT WAYNE.—Albion, 2; Ft. Wayne, Bethany, 3.50, Girls' Bd., 1.03; 1st, 35; Westm'r, 6.40; Goshen, 8.50; Kendallville, 4.50; La Grange, 15; Lima, 2; Ossian, 6.50; Two Friends, 15, 99.43

FREEPOT.—Argyle, 68.40; Dakota, 4.50; Freepot, 1st, 21.50; 2d, 8, C.E., 9.50; Harvard, 65 cts.; Linn and Hebron, Hebron, 19; Marengo, 17; Oregon, 4; Ridgfield, 3.38, C.E., 1.71; Rockford, 1st, 50; Savanna, 1.79; Warren, 5.36; Winnebago, 19.95; Woodstock, 10, C.E., 25, 269.74

GREAT FALLS.—Individual, 25; Great Falls, 6.25, C.E., 7.50, Jr. C.E., 2.50, 41.25

GUNNISON.—Aspen, 5.75; Delta, 4.90; Glenwood Springs, 3.50; Grand Junction, 5.50; Leadville, 8, C.E., 10; Ouray, 5; Salida, 3.75, C.E., 2.50, 48.90

HASTINGS.—Beaver City, 2.50; Heartwell, Bethel, 1.40; Hastings, 6.10; Holdredge, C.E., 6.85; Nelson, 9.60; Superior, 1.18, C.E., 5.46, 33.09

HELENA.—Boulder, 7.02

INDIANAPOLIS.—Hopewell, 48.88; Indianapolis, 1st, 101.55; 2d, Nippon Circle, 12.50; Jo Gakko, 11.93; 4th, 3.50; Tabernacle, 53, 231.36

IOWA.—Bloomfield, 7.41, C.E., 2, Jr. C.E., 1.30; Bonaparte, 4; Burlington, 1st, 28; Fairfield, 83.90, C.E., 45, Gleaners, 5; Ft. Madison, C.E., 10; Keokuk, Westm'r, 50, Golden Rule Bd., 6.33; Libertyville, C.E., 50 cts.; Martinsburg, 4.50; Mediapolis, 15.80, Bd., 3.75; Westm'r Guild, 1.25; Milton, 4; Mt. Pleasant, 33.60, C.E., 2.50; New London, 2, C.E., 6; Ottumwa, East End, 17.20; Winfield, 10, C. E., 11, 355.04

IOWA CITY.—Atalissa, 3; Brooklyn, 4.50; Columbus Junction, 6; Crawfordville, C.E., 4; Iowa City, 21; Davenport, 25; Snmmit, C.E., 6; Marengo, 2; Montezuma, 15; Muscatine, 30, C.E., 5; Tipton, 6; Unity, 3.50; Washington, 16.50, C.E., 3.50, Jr. C.E., 5; W. Liberty, 9.88; W. Branch, 15, Wilton, C.E., 5, 185.88

KALAMAZOO.—Allegan, 7.05; Edwardsburg, 5; Kalamazoo, 1st, 17.50; Niles, 2.50; Richland, 3.40; Three Rivers, 9, 44.45

LA CROSSE.—4.20

LAKE SUPERIOR.—Escanaba, 6; Ishpeming, 7; Marquette, 10; St. Ignace, 44 cts.; Sault Ste. Marie, 10, 33.44

LANSING.—Albion, 3.50, Jr. C.E., 3.88; Brooklyn, 19.90; Battle Creek, 5.45; Concord, 3.75; Homer, 4, C.E., 7; Jackson, 10.50; Lansing, 1st, 16; Franklin St., 4.50, Bd., 6.65, C. E., 5.06; Mason, 11.50, C.E., 5; Marshall, 5.10, 113.77

LOGANSPORT.—Bethel, 2; Bethensm, 2.50; Brookston, 6; Chalmers, C.E., 2.50; Concord, 5.20; Crown Point, 7, C.E., 3; Goodland, 3; Kentland, 14; Hammond, 10.65; La Porte, 11; Logansport, 1st, 4.66; Broadway, 4.50, C.E., 3.45; Meadow Lake, 3; Michigan City, C.E., 1.50, Jr. C.E., 5; Monon, Chapel, 1.25; Mishawaka, 3; Monticello, 4.50; Pisgah, 4.93; Plymouth, 1; Remington, 5.50, C.E., 3.75; Rensselaer, 1.35; Rochester, 3; S. Bend, 1st, 5, Jr. C.E., 2; Trinity, 2.20; Westm'r, 3.30; Valparaiso, 3; Walkerton, 2, 134.74

MADISON.—Baraboo, C.E., 3; Beloit, 15; Janesville, 18.75; Kilbourn, 3.75; Madison, 15; Poynette, 25, 80.50

MANKATO.—Alpha, 6.60; Balaton, 4; Blue Earth, 7.50; Delhi, 5; Kasota, 6.20; Luverne, 22.30; Mankato, 24.90; Marshall, 9.50; Morgan, 4.95; Pilot Grove, 10; Pipestone, 8.35; Redwood Falls, 11.50; St. Peter, 5.50; Worthington, 34.20; Bethlehem Star Bd., 1; Windom, 5.10, 166.60

MATTOON.—Arcola, 6; Assumption, 32.70; Charleston, 10.70; Effingham, 3; Kansas, 11.98; Palestine, 5; Pana, 20; Shelbyville, 20; Tower Hill, 2.50; Tuscola, 5; Vandalia, 7.90, 144.78

MILWAUKEE.—Beaver Dam, Assembly, C.E., 4, Jr. C.E., 1.50; Cambridge, 10; Manitowoc, 12; Milwaukee, Calvary, 32.25; Immanuel, 150, C.E., 10, Circle, 8.50; Perseverance, 6; Westm'r, 10.50; Ottawa, 2.65; Racine, C.E., 10; Waukesha, 7, C.E., 10, Jr. C.E., 1.80, 276.20

MINNEAPOLIS.—Oak Grove, 2.50; Buffalo, 11.50; Crystal Bay, C.E., 1; Eden Prairie, C.E., 2; Howard Lake, 8.85, C. E., 8.40; Maple Plain, 10.15; Minneapolis, Andrew, 22; Bethany, 10.35, C.E., 3; Bethlehem, 48, C.E., 19; 1st, 62.30, Merry Gleaners, 11.19, Y.W., 40, C.E., 3, Jr. C.E., 1.25; 5th, 17.71; Grace, 7.50, C.E., 1; House of Faith, 7; Oliver, 17, C.E., 2.75; Stewart Mem'l, 22.95, C.E., 6.56; Vanderburgh, 3.75, C.E., 50 cts.; Waverly, 3.50; Westm'r, 102.78, Inter. C.E., 2, C.E., 13.47, Y.W., 12, Hope Chapel, C.E., 1, 485.96

MONROE.—Coldwater, Harrington S., 18; Deerfield, C.E., 3; Dover, 3; Erie, C.E., 5; Hillsdale, 23, C.E., 10; Holloway, 8; Jonesville, 15; Monroe, 25, 110.00

MUNCIE.—Alexandria, 3; Anderson, 20, Mrs. Geo. Lilly, 25, C.E., 4; Willing Workers, 6.25; Center Grove, 3.50; Converse, Miss Julia R. Kelsey, 10; Elwood, 4.70, C.E., 5; Gas City, 1.75, C.E., 2.50; Hartford City, 5.50; Jonesboro, 2.50, C.E., 2.50; Kokomo, 2.60; Montpelier, 2.50; Muncie, 37.70; Marion, 19.25; Noblesville, 3; Peru, 17; Portland, 4.20; Union City, 8.60; Wabash, 30; Winchester, 4.70, 225.75

NEBRASKA CITY.—Adams, 3.75; Alexandria, 2.80; Auburn, 2.40; Blue Springs, 4; Beatrice, 24.80, C.E., 16.40; Diller, 4.80, Bd., 3.20; Fairbury, 1.77, C.E., 10; Gresham, 1.40; Humboldt, 8.80; Lincoln, 1st, A Friend, 100, C.E., 35; 2d, C.E., 4; Nebraska City, 4.34; Palmyra, 3.30; Plattsmouth, 4.10; Staplehurst, 3.88; Seward, 2.16; Table Rock, 3.35; Tecumseh, 8, C.E., 5; Utica, 2.80; York, 4.60, C.E., 7.60, 272.25

NEW ALBANY.—Bedford, 4; Brownstown, 3; Corydon, 9; Hanover, 3; Jeffersonville, 9; Madison, 1st, 8.50, L.M.C., 11; 2d, 3.50; Mitchell, 10; New Albany, 1st, 15.10; 2d, 14.50; 3d, 15.70; Girls' Bd., 11.25; North Vernon, 7; Orleans, 6.80; Otisco, 3.25; Pleasant, 2; Paoli, 10; Seymour, L.M.C., 12.50; Salem, 3; Vernon, 3; Vevay, 6.75, 171.85

NIORRARA.—Coleridge, 7.60, C.E., 4.40; Emerson, 9.34; Hartington, 15; Laurel, 8, C.E., 6.54; Logan View, 50 cts.; Osmond, 2.80; Pender, 7.10; Ponca, C.E., 10.28; Stuart, 2.40; Wakefield, 10, C.E., 3.50; Wayne, 13, C.E., 6.25; Winnebago, C.E., 4, 110.71

OTTAWA.—Aurora, 2; Aux Sable Grove, 9; Mendota, 20; Morris, 17; Ottawa, 9; Troy Grove, 2.50; Waltham, 12.50, 72.00

PEORIA.—28.00

PEMBINA.—Backoo, Mrs. H. Drew, 1; Hamilton, C.E., 20; Larimore, C.E., 5.25, 26.25

PETOSKEY.—Petoskey, Loyal League Circle, 5.00

PUEBLO.—Canon City, 14.25; Colorado Springs, 1st, 100; Cripple Creek, 2.50; Florence, 5.10; Las Animas, 4.85; La Jara, C.E., 1; Pueblo, 1st, 12.50; Fountain, 5; Rocky Ford, 5, C.E., 2.50, 152.70

ROCK RIVER.—Aledo, C.E., 50; Arlington, 1.25; Dixon, 10; Garden Plain, 25; Hamlet, C.E., 20; Hamlet and Perryton, 7.50; Millersburg, 4.56; Peniel, 5; Rock Island, Broadway, Ruth's Bd., 20; Viola, 2.50; Woodhull, 7.50; To even up, 79 cts., 155.00

SAGINAW.—Alma, 25, C.E., 2.43, College Y.M.C.A., 41.71; Bay City, Mem'l, 2.50; 1st, 19.50; Westminster, 5; Saginaw, Warren, Ave., 14.25; Washington Ave., 2.94; Immanuel, 3.88; 1st, 54, Jr. C.E., 7, King's Messengers, 5, 183.21

ST. CLOUD.—Willmar, 7.50

ST. PAUL.—Hastings, 2; Red Wing, 40.50; St. Croix Falls, 1.25; Central, 22.20; Arlington Hills, 1.50; Merriam Pl., Van Cleve S., 7.15; House of Hope, 128.30; Westm'r, 14.25, C.E., 1.50; Park, 4.50; Hamline, Knox, Caroline Elmer S., 11.37, C.E., 1.50; Rush City, 2; Stillwater, Allbright Bd., 14; White Bear, 8, 260.02

SCHUYLER.—Augusta, 5; Hamilton, Bethel, 2, C.E., 5; Bnshnell, 4.80; Camp Point, 3.25; Mrs. David E. Liggett, 13; Carthage, 11; Clayton, 3.25; Fargo, C.E., 30.86; Fountain Green, 13; Hersman, 6; Kirkwood, 8.80, C.E., 25; Monthmont, 15.25; Mt. Sterling, 14; Prairie City, 6.25; Quincy, 7.85, C.E., 12.50; Rushville, 7; Wythe, 9, 202.81

STOUX CITY.—Alta, C.E., 1.50; Cherokee, 20; Hawarden, 8; Hull, C.E., 2.50, Jr. C.E., 1; Ireton, C.E., 5; Paulina, C. E., 18; St. Joseph, 1st, 25, Jr. C.E., 2.50, Mrs. Alex. Elliott, 500; 3d, C.E., 3.75; 4th, 2.70; 5th, C.E., 2.50; Storm Lake, Mrs. D. Williams, T. Addison Williams Mem'l, 5; Wall Lake, 4, C.E., 2.50, 603.95

SPRINGFIELD.—Springfield, Portuguese, 15.00

VINCENNES.—Evansville, 1st Ave., 7; Grace, 14.25; Parke Mem'l, 2.25, C.E., 2; Walnut St., 15; Farmersburg, 3; Indiana, Solid Workers, 5; Mt. Vernon, Jr. C.E., 1.25; Oakland City, C.E., 13; Petersburg, 20; Princeton, 3.50; Rockport, 4; Royal Oak, 1.50; Terre Haute, Central, 14; Washington Ave., 7.70, C.E., 3.80, Jr. C.E., 45 cts.; Upper Indiana, 3.70; Vincennes, 5.75, C.E., 1.31; Washington, 3.75, 113.71

WATERLOO.—Phyl. S., 25; Ackley, 20, C.E., 5; Cedar Falls, 116.50; Clarksville, 4.50, C.E., 1.50; Conrad, 2.50; Eden, Nora Springs, L.A.S., 10; Greene, 5.40; Grundy Center, 13, C.E., 5; Janesville, 2.45; La Porte City, 17; Marshalltown, 27; Morrison, 2; Salem, 10.85; Tranquillity, 8.85, C.E., 8; Waterloo, 62; Williams, 4.50, 251.05

WINONA.—Ashland, 3; Albert Lea, 27.50; Chatfield, 21.40, C.E., 5; Fremont, 7; Lanesboro, C.E., 5; Winona, 13, 81.90

WYOMING.—Cheyenne, 7; Laramie, 5, C.E., 10, 22.00

MISCELLANEOUS.—Detroit, Anom., 2; Olympia, 20, Anom.,

3; Mt. Carroll, Three Sisters, 5, 10.00
Total receipts for months ending Aug. and
Oct. 20, \$10,086.58
Total receipts since April 20, 25,611.04

MRS. THOMAS E. D. BRADLEY, *Treas.*,
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CHICAGO, Oct. 20, 1905.

Receipts of the Women's Board of Foreign Missions of the Presbyterian Church for October, 1905.

* Indicates Summer Offering.

† Indicates Thank Offerings.

BINGHAMTON.—Afton, *2; Binghamton, 1st, *7.60; Immanuel, 8, *2; West, *2.70; Nichols, 1.67, *4.48; Nineveh, A Friend, *10; Waverly, *24.50, \$62.95
BOSTON, MASS.—East Boston, *10.75
BROOKLYN.—Brooklyn, Ainslie St., *11.73; Bay (Ridge, *8.25; Bedford, *50; Bethany, 11.66; Bushwick Ave., German, 2.92, C.E., 12.50; Central, 35, *0; Girls' Bd., 5, Primary Cl., 5; Chasson Ave., 90, Girls' Bd., 25; Duryea, *15, C.E., 10; Franklin Ave., C.E., 2.50; Grace, *24; Greene Ave., 12.10, *6.05, Y.L.S., *1.90; Irving Sq., 1.55, *3; Lafayette Ave., 200; Mem'l, 16.42, *20.25; Prospect Heights, 5.92; Ross St., 5.25, *38, C.E., 50; Throop Ave., 130.14, *85, Girls' Bd., 3.50; Mission, 6; Westm'r, 6.02; Woodhaven, 7, 956.66
BUFFALO.—Buffalo, Bethany, *1.10; Bethlehem, 8, *2; Calvary, *3.25; Central, 100, *5.92; Covenant, *1.50; East, *3; 1st, *9.19; Kenmore, *1; Lafayette Ave., 75, *9.61; North, 41.75, *17, Y.L.S., *2.50; Park, *80 cts.; West Ave., 15; Westm'r, *4; Clarence, 5; Franklinville, *3.80; Fredonia, *18.64; Silver Creek, 15; Springville, *90 cts.; Westfield, *5.72; A Friend, 135, 484.68
CAYUGA.—Auburn, Calvary, 5.06, *2.55; 2d, *7.25; Aurora, *46; Cayuga, 5; Dryden, 2, C.E., 5; Genoa, 2d, *3.90; Ithaca, *66; King Ferry, *5; Ludlowville, C.E., 5; Port Byron, 10; Sennett, Sr. King's Daughters, *5; Union Springs, *3; A Friend, 300, 470.76
CHEMUNG.—Burdett, 15; Dundee, 5; Elmira, 1st, 21.75, A Friend, 5; Franklin St., 5; Lake St., 12.85; South, 7, *5, Jr. C.E., 1; Hector, 7, *2, C.E., 1.55; Mecklenburg, 15; Montour Falls, 10, *3; Moreland, 5, *2; Sugar Hill, 4, 130.15
EBENEZER.—Ashland, 1st, Y.L.S., 10, C.E., 25; Dayton, 1st, 15, *5; Ludlow, 1st, 5; Lexington, 2d, Y.W.S., 5; Mt. Sterling, 1st, 3.80, *1.10; Paris, 1st, 10, Mission Band, 2.50; Maysville, 1st, Christian Stewards, 7.50; Newport, 1st, 3, *3, 95.90
GENESEE.—Le Roy, *15; North Bergen, *1; Stone Church, *5, 46, 21.46
GENEVA.—Bellona, *5; Canandaigua, *7; Persia Bd., 25; Dresden, *2; Geneva, 1st, 6.25, *26.35; Oaks Corners, *7.75; Penn Yan, *16.55; Romulus, *add'l, 1; Seneca, *13.24; Seneca Castle, 8, *3.05; Trumansburg, *15; Waterloo, *12.90; West Fayette, *3, 152.12
HUDSON.—Chester, 25, C.E., 5; Circleville, *7; Cochecton, 2.50; Florida, Y.L.S., 48; Goodwill Ch., 15, *5; Hamptonburg, 10.87, *1.25; Haverstraw, 12.50, *16.10; Hopewell Ch., 16.55, *1.25, C.E., 2d; Liberty, C.E., 20; Monticello, 3.50, *2; Monroe, *2.75; Montgomery, 5, *2; Palisades, C.E., 7.50; Port Jervis, 25; Ramapo, 10, 20; Ridgebury, 19; Westtown, 22, 905.97
LONG ISLAND.—Bridgehampton, 6.75, *26; Brookfield Ch., *1.80; Centre Moriches, *18; Cutchogue, 10, *7.75, Bd., 25; East Hampton, 16, C.E., 20; East Moriches, 5, *10; Greenport, *32; Mattituck, *10.25; Port Jefferson, C.E., 7.15; Shelter Island, *11.40; South Haven, 6.50; Southold, 30, *4.50; Wainscott, C.E., 2.50; Westhampton, 7.75, *23.20, 289.35
Yaphank, *7, C.E., 1, 289.35
NASSAU.—Astoria, *11.93; Babylon, 10; Brentwood, *2; Far Rockaway, *5; Jr. Soc., 15; Freeport, *9.50; Hempstead, 25, *6.75; Huntington, 1st, 12, *32.50; Islip, *5; Smithtown Branch, 20, *15; Oyster Bay, *2, 171.68
NEW YORK.—New York, Bethany, C.E., 16.50, Inter C. E., 1.25, Jr. C.E., 1.25; Brick, *add'l, 15; Central, 316.50, *21; Ch. of the Puritans, 25, *1.35; Faith, *11; 5th Ave., 270,

Y.W.S., 135; Madison Ave., *75; Madison Sq., *20; Mizpah, C.E., 5; Mt. Washington, *10; Scotch, 8.75; Tremont, C.E., 5; University Pl., 37.20, Evening Branch, 75; Washington Heights, C.E., 10; West End, *13.55; Woodstock, C.E., 25; Olivet, *25; Stapleton, S. I., 20, *44, I. C. H., 15, 1,202.35
NAOARA.—Albion, 20, *15; Barre Centre, C.E., 3; Carlton, *8; Holley, 8; Lewiston, *10, C.E., 5; Lockport, 1st, *11, Grace Newton Circle, 1; 2d, 4, *4; Mapleton, 4.70; Medina, 14; Middleport, 1.60; Niagara, 1st, 12.50, *17; Pierce Ave., 6; North Tonawanda, 23.25, *9.15; Somerset, *1.30; Wilson, 3, *7; Wrights Corners, 5, *8, C.E., 1; Youngstown, 7, *8, 217.48
NORTH RIVER.—Amenia, South, C.E., 10; Ancram Lead Mines, 3; Cornwall-on-Hudson, 6; Highland Falls, 6; Marlboro, C.E., 5; Newburgh, Calvary, 30.77; Union, 25; New Hamburg, 6.20; Pine Plains, 10; Rondout, 54; Salisbury Mills, Bethlehem Ch., 13, Y.P. Bands, 42.82, 211.79
OTSEGO.—Cherry Valley, 10; Cooperstown, 6.25, *14.65; Delhi, 2d, 18; Gilbertsville, 2, *3; Guilford Centre, 7; Oneonta, 24; Stamford, 28; Unadilla, 6, *2; Worcester, 5.50, C.E., 10, 136.40
ROCHESTER.—Charlotte, *2.85; Clarkson, C.E., 2; Dansville, *10; Fowlerville, *6, C.E., 4.30; Gates, 10; Lima, *5.75; Livonia, *2.60; Mt. Morris, *4; Rochester, Brick, 50; Calvary, 8.75; Central, 100, *2.65, Girls' Club, 15; Mem'l, 10, *3, Jr. C.E., 1.25; 3d, *7.25; Westm'r, *5.35; Victor, *2; Webster, 3, 255.75
ST. LAWRENCE.—Adams, 5, *2.50; Brownville, 2.20; Canton, 8.50, *8.75; Cape Vincent, 11, *2.45; Carthage, 2.51, *4; Chaumont, 11, *4.50, C.E., 5; Dexter, *4.20; Gouverneur, 31; Hammond, 22, C.E., 5; Morristown, 6.14, *4.90, C.E., 9; Oswegatchie, 2d, 7; Potsdam, 18.75; Waddington, Scotch, 15, *10, C.E., 10; Watertown, 1st, *34.57, 244.97
STUBEN.—Arkport, 7, *4, Jr. C.E., 3; Avoca, *3, C.E., 5.50; Campbell, 5; Canaseraga, *6.05; Corning, Y.W.S., 40; Cuba, Y.W.S., 30; Honesdale, 1st, 13.45, *12.70; Jasper, 3; Prattburgh, C.E., 4, Jr. C.E., 2.50, 139.20
SYRACUSE.—Canastota, *2.15; Chittenango, 59.25, Y.L.S., 7.90; Fayetteville, *12; Manlius, *3; Marcellus, *4; Onondaga Valley, 5; Pompey, 5.25, *1; Syracuse, First Ward, Sunshine Bd., 7.50, 4th, 40, *2; Park, *6.50; Westm'r, *80 cts., Morrison Bd., 5, 161.35
UTICA.—Boonville, 25; Iion, 25; Knoxboro, 20; New Hartford, Wide Awake Bd., 10; Oriskany, 6; Rome, 60 C. E., 15.45; Saquoit, 11.50; Utica, Bethany, Earnest Workers, 5; 1st, 125, Jr. Dept. S.T.C., 10; Mem'l, 11, Do Good Bd., 10 cts.; Olivet, 5, Y.L.S., 10, Miss. Circle, 10, Primary S.S., 5; Vernon, 6; Westerville, 10, 370.05
WESTCHESTER.—Bedford, *4.15; Brewster, S. E. Center, 5, *1.60; Carmel, *1.50, Bd., 3; Croton Falls, *3, C.E., 5; Dobbs Ferry, 15; Irvington, C.E., 10; New Rochelle, 1st, *28.55; Paterson, 5, *15; Peekskill, 1st and 2d, *39; Rye, 5; South Salem, 27, *4.45; Stamford, Ct., *11.50; White Plains, *18; Yonkers, 1st, 25; Westm'r, 28.25, *2, 269.00
MISCELLANEOUS.—Coll. at Prayer-meeting, 20.49; Friend, 12.89, 33.38

Total, \$6,394.35
Total for the year, 29,594.17

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Receipts of the Woman's Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions of the Southwest for the Month Ending October 24, 1905.

CANADIAN.—Chickasha, 5.50; El Reno, Life Membership, 25, \$30.50
HANNIBAL.—Brookfield, 3; Edina, 6.40; Hannibal, 10, C. E., 50; Kirksville, 10; Moberly, 7.80; Macon, 1.25; New Cambria, 3.90; New Providence, 4.50, 96.35
LAUREL.—Emerson, C.E., 14.34
OSBORNE.—Colby, 2; Hays, 2; Natoma, 1; Osborne, 15; Russell, 1.53; Wa Keeney, 3.44, 24.97
OZARK.—Bolivar, C.E., 2; Carthage, 35; Greenfield, 5; Joplin, 1st, 1.95, 1st Try Band, 10; Bethany, 5; Neosho, 6, C.E., 5.50; Ozark Prairie, 5.20; Springfield, Calvary, 12.85, Monday League, 4; 2d, 4.10; Webb City, 2.50; White Oak, 25, 124.10
PLATTE.—Breckenridge, 3.50, Y.L.M.C., 35 cts., Sunshine Band, 40 cts.; Cameron, 3.34; Chillicothe, 2.50; Fairfax, 1.25; Grant City, 8.50; Hamilton, 8, C.E., 2, Rain or Shine Band, 50 cts.; King City, 1.10; Lathrop, 1.60; Maryville, 17.16; Mound City, 4, C.E., 4; Parkville, 34.40; King's Messengers, 2.20; Stanberry, 6.55; St. Joseph, Hope, 2; 3d St., 5, C.E., 1.45; Wide Awake Band, 6; Westminister, 29, C.E., 12; Helen Bullard Band, 6; Tarkio, 25, C.E., 5; Mary Palmer Band, 9; Tipton, 3.60; Trenton, 2; Weston, 7, 223.11

RIO GRANDE.—Roswell, 11.30
SANTA FE.—Raton, 11.00
SEQUOYAH.—Dwight, Busy Bees, 2.50; Ft. Gibson, Gleaners, 1.25; Vinita, 4; Wagoner, 54 cts., 8.29
SOLOMON.—Beloit, 20; Belleville, 3; Caledonia, 1.50; Clyde, 2.70; Concordia, 12; Delphos, 4; Ellsworth, 6, C.E., 4.13, Jr. C.E., 1; Lincoln, 10.50, C.E., 8; Minneapolis, 7.39; Mt. Pleasant, 3.23; Poheta, 3.50; Solomon, 2.60, C.E., 1.23, 90.78
TOPEKA.—Clay Center, 9, Rev. Rob. Jarns, 30; Edgerton, 2.75, C.E., 2.50; Idana, 1.05; Junction City, 5, C.E., 17; Kansas City, 1st, 25; Western Highlands, 2.50; Lawrence, 10.63; Leavenworth, C.E., 5; Olathe, 4; Oskaloosa, 2.80; Rossville, 7.50; Topeka, 1st, 5.00; 3d, 3, Jr. C.E., 75 cts.; Westminister, 6.35; Boys' Band, 1.15; Cradle Roll, 50 cts., 186.48
MISCELLANEOUS.—Advertisements in *Quarterly*, 11.50; Miss Margaret C. Gorman, Ridgway, Col., 2, 13.50

Total for month, \$834.72
Total to date, 4,737.47

Oct. 24, 1905, Mrs. Wm. Buro, *Treas.*,
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